



WASHOE COUNTY

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Date: December 17, 2014
To: County Commissioners
From: County Manager John Slaughter 
Subject: Assembly District 24

We received 12 applications and all 12 applicants meet the minimum requirements for consideration. Please find enclosed the materials for the following Assembly District 24 applicants:

- 1) Ross Armstrong
- 2) Andrew Diss
- 3) Margaret Flint
- 4) Heather Goulding
- 5) Michael Guss
- 6) Erik Holland
- 7) Amber Joiner
- 8) Glenn Miller
- 9) Stephanie Schoen
- 10) Brad Summerhill
- 11) Matthew Tuma
- 12) Anne Marie Vierra

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5+6

STATE OF NEVADA
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STATE LEGISLATOR



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150 Mt. Rose Street #4	Reno	NV	89509
Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: November 15, 2013	To: Present	

1830 Wesley Drive	Reno	NV	89503
Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: June 1, 2013	To: November 14, 2013	

Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From:	To:	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

	Ross E. Armstrong	12/11/2014
Candidate Signature	Printed Name	Date

Ross E. Armstrong

150 Mt. Rose Street #4, Reno, Nevada 89509
775-848-9871, rossearmstrong@gmail.com

Washoe County Commissioners
c/o Kathy Hart
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, Nevada 89520

Dear Commissioners:

My roots run deep in Assembly District 24. My mother went to Wooster and my father went to Hug. I grew up in the old Northwest just off of Kings Row. Growing up I was involved in the Boy Scouts and achieved the rank of Eagle as well as being elected to numerous local and regional leadership positions. I graduated with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from University of Nevada, Reno. While in law school, I focused on courses in law and government including legislation, state and local government, gaming law, and administrative law.

After graduating from law school, I returned home to Nevada; since then I have worked in almost every corner of the State. I've served the State as a Senior Research Analyst for the Legislative Counsel Bureau helping constituents connect with their legislators and as a special prosecutor for the Attorney General prosecuting perpetrators of domestic violence, sex crimes, and sex crimes against children in rural counties. I'm currently a Deputy Attorney General advising the State agency tasked with investigating allegations of child abuse and neglect and working with Nevada families to better protect our children.

The 2015 Legislative Session will present numerous challenges including reforming our revenue system, addressing our struggling education system, continuing to improve our economy, and maintaining public safety. To successfully tackle these issues the next representative of Assembly District 24 must have a balanced background and an open mind. I fit that mold. My legislative experience has prepared me for working with the legislative process and my executive and judicial experience will not let me forget the real world ramifications of legislation.

I would be honored to be selected as the next Assemblyman for District 24. Thank you for your consideration; please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like to further discuss my qualifications.

Sincerely,



Ross E. Armstrong
Deputy Attorney General

Ross E. Armstrong

150 Mt. Rose Street #4, Reno, Nevada 89509 cell: 775-848-9871, rossearmstrong@gmail.com

Education

Willamette University College of Law, Salem, Oregon
J.D. *cum laude*, 2010; Top 15%, Class Rank: 18T/116, Dean's List (Fall 2007)
First Year Appellate Competition Finalist
High Paper: Federal Courts

University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada
B.A., *cum laude*, Economics, 2007
Honors Thesis: *An Economic Interpretation of Nevada's Constitution*
Undergraduate Research Award, 2006

Professional Experience

Office of the Attorney General, Reno, Nevada
Deputy Attorney General, Health and Human Services Division June 2013 – Present

- Initiate and process petitions to terminate parental rights including drafting the petition, court appearances, and witness preparation
- Work in a team of three attorneys to civilly advise and represent the Division of Child and Family Services, including matters of child protection and juvenile justice
- Serve as the attorney assigned to the Governor's Juvenile Justice Commission and its subcommittees

Office of the Attorney General, Pahrump, Nevada
Deputy Attorney General (Tri-County VAWA Prosecutor), August 2011 – May 2013

- Prosecuted misdemeanor and felony crimes specializing in Domestic Violence, Sex Offenses, and Child Sexual Abuse in Nye, Esmeralda, and Mineral Counties
- Helped lead a multidisciplinary team to review and staff child sexual abuse cases through a Child Advocacy Center
- Coordinated training and outreach with law enforcement, advocates, and the courts

Nevada Legislature, Legislative Counsel Bureau, Carson City, Nevada
Constituent Services Unit Senior Research Analyst, October 2010 – June 2011

- Researched and responded to legislator and public requests for governmental information through letters, memos, and phone conversations
- Utilized intimate knowledge of state legislative process, statutory schemes, and government agencies to assist constituents and legislators

Oregon State Lottery, Salem, Oregon
Law Clerk, May 2008 – May 2010

- Researched, drafted, edited, and executed Oregon gaming and administrative law
- Drafted and tracked state legislation and prepared materials for policymakers
- Tracked federal gaming legislation, litigation, and industry developments

Other Professional Experience: Independent Contractor for Legal Services, Attorney General Special Prosecutions Summer Intern, Insurance Defense Records Coordinator, Office Assistant, and Retail Clerk

Other Experience

Office of the Attorney General, Carson City, Nevada

- Victim Assistance Academy of Nevada, Steering Committee Member, 2014
- AB311 Human Trafficking Fundraiser Committee, 2014
- Violence Against Women Act Grant Committee, 2012, 2013
- Liaison for Secretary of State's Election Integrity Task Force, 2012

Willamette University, Salem, Oregon

- *Willamette Law Online, Ninth Circuit Service*, Electronic Case Summaries and Law Updates: Writer (2008-2009), Editor (2009-2010)
- Additional Activities: Class President, student mentor, and STARS Program

We The People, Reno, Nevada

- Hug High Team Coach, 2013
- Reed High Team Guest Coach, 2011

Boy Scouts of America, Reno, Nevada

- Eagle Scout, 2002
- Nevada Area Council, Board Member, 2002
- National Officer for Western Region of the Order of the Arrow, 2005
- National Distinguished Service Award, 2006

Professional Memberships

- State Bar of Nevada, Admitted 2010 (#11905)
- Washoe County Bar Association, Member
- Elko County Bar Association, Member
- LGBT Section of State Bar of Nevada, Member

References

Catherine Cortez Masto, Nevada Attorney General, 775-684-1112

Emily Smith, Victim Advocate, 702-467-6445

Theresa Navarro, Community Activist, 775-560-1300

Butch Anderson, Partner in Charge of the Nevada Offices of Eide Bailly, LLP, 775-686-3204



WASHOE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES
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HUMAN RESOURCES

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**ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 24
WASHOE COUNTY**

This recruitment is being conducted to fill a vacancy in Assembly District 24, Washoe County. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 218A.260) the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the first Monday in January after the next ensuing biennial election.

DUTIES

Serve as a legislator in the Nevada State Assembly.

QUALIFICATIONS

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 218A.260(2)), if the former Legislator was elected or appointed from a district wholly within one county, the Board of County Commissioners of the county in which the district is located shall fill the vacancy by appointing a person who is a member of the same political party as the former Legislator (Democrat) and who actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in the district. Pursuant to NRS 218A.202 an applicant must be: a qualified elector; an actual, as opposed to constructive, citizen resident of Nevada for 1 year; and at least 21 years of age.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

To be considered, please forward a compelling cover letter, a comprehensive resume, and a completed Affidavit of Residency (form attached) by the closing date of Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 5:00 PM. Electronic submittals will also be accepted but must be received by the 5 PM deadline on December 16, 2014. Application material will be screened by Human Resources and the Registrar of Voters for the minimum qualifications. The applications of all those qualified will be presented to individual County Commissioners on Wednesday, December 17, 2014. The final interview and selection process is expected to take place on Tuesday, December 30, 2014, at a special meeting convened by the Board of County Commissioners. It is important to note that this selection process will be in accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting/Public Records Law. All submitted materials will be considered a public record upon receipt and posting by the County Clerk.

FILING DEADLINE: All applications must be actually received (as opposed to postmarked) by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, December 16, 2014.

SUBMIT TO:

Kathy Hart
Workforce Development Manager
P.O. Box 11130
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, Nevada 89520
OR via email at khart@washoecounty.us

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240 Mark Twain Ave. Reno NV 89509
Street Name, Number City State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: 5/1/2014 To: Present

734 Forest St. Reno NV 89509
Street Name, Number City State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: 4/1/2013 To: 4/31/2014

Street Name, Number City State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: To:

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

X
Candidate Signature

Andrew Diss
Printed Name

12/11/2014
Date

ANDREW J. DISS

1240 Mark Twain Avenue | Reno, NV 89509 | 775.287.7332 | ajdiss21@gmail.com

December 11, 2014

Washoe County Commission
1001 E. Ninth St.
Reno, NV 89520

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Mr. Chairman and County Commissioners:

Reno is my home. I have grown up here and my family continues to live here. I am a product of our public schools, as well as a graduate of UNR. My ties to our community are strong and deep, and based on my experience and qualifications, I am an ideal candidate to fill the vacancy in Assembly District 24.

First and foremost, I stand out as the ideal candidate to serve in the Nevada State Assembly because of my professional work experience. I have spent four sessions working in Carson City as a non-partisan staffer and have managed three committees. I know the process, I know the people, and I know the long hours and commitment that are required during a legislative session. The relationships I have built working with members of both parties over the years will make me an effective advocate for AD 24 and Northern Nevada as a whole. Our region will see dramatic population and economic growth in the near future and we need someone with my experience and long-range vision to be a part of the decision making process in Carson City to ensure we are prepared for what lies ahead.

Secondly, my roots play a big part in my qualifications. My family and the people I have grown up with all live here, and making decisions that will be good for them and this community is extremely important to me. Having attended our public schools from elementary school all the way into grad school, education is my top priority. In fact, it is of such importance to me that I have dedicated my professional life to it. I am the director of a nonprofit education policy organization that focuses on raising outcomes for Nevada students, strengthening the teaching profession, and making sure our kids are college and career ready. Make no mistake about it, education issues will be at the top of the agenda for the Governor as well as the majority of legislators this session and I will be able to contribute my expertise to the conversation from day one.

Our higher education system is also extremely important to me. I am currently pursuing my MBA at UNR and have a strong connection to the University of Nevada which sits in the heart of AD 24. UNR is one of the most important economic drivers for our region and strengthening the quality of our university will be one of my priorities if appointed. I also serve as the elected representative for the School of Business on the Graduate Student Association. I have been a strong advocate for the students I represent and have fought for our interests when it comes to tuition increases, campus mental health services, and supporting the University's push to

achieve Carnegie Mellon Tier 1 status. If appointed to the Assembly, I will be in an even stronger position to further the work I have done with the University.

In addition to my service to university students, I serve the residents of our community as a member of the Reno Charter Committee. The committee is made up of a diverse group of residents from a variety of backgrounds, and working with them has provided me with valuable ideas for improving local governance. The relationship between the State and our local governments has never been more important and finding ways to improve efficiency and increase the level of service we provide to the people of Nevada is an important issue.

As you can see from my experience, I am uniquely qualified to fill the vacancy in Assembly District 24 and will bring a distinctive perspective that adds to the forward momentum of our state. I believe the future of Nevada is bright and I will work hard to foster the positive growth we have begun to experience recently. If appointed to the Nevada State Assembly, I will work as hard as I can to earn the public trust and live up to the privilege and expectations that accompany public office.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Diss", written in a cursive style.

Andrew Diss

ANDREW J. DISS

1240 MARK TWAIN AVE • RENO NV 89509
(775) 287-7332 • E-MAIL AJDISS21@GMAIL.COM

EDUCATION

- University of Nevada, Reno
B.A. 2006, Political Science and History
Phi Beta Kappa
Dean's List
- Currently enrolled in UNR MBA Program
Projected Graduation 2016

WORK EXPERIENCE

State Director

Students First Nevada

- Develop policy initiatives to reform and strengthen Nevada schools.
 - Examine best practices in other states and work with policy makers to implement effective programs in Nevada.
 - Mobilize teachers, parents, and students to speak to policy makers about what is and isn't working in our schools.
- 6/13-Current

Committee Manager, Nevada State Assembly

401 S. Carson St.

Carson City, NV 89701

775-684-8835

Assembly Committee on Education, 27th Special Session

Assembly Committee on Education, 77th Session, 2013

Assembly Committee on Commerce & Labor, 76th Session, 2011

Assembly Committee on Commerce & Labor, 75th Session, 2009

Assembly Committee on Transportation, 22nd Special Session

Assembly Committee on Transportation, 73rd Session, 2005

- Scheduled and organized committee hearings.
- Handled amendment proposals to pending legislation and aided in bill drafting.
- Conducted background research on proposed legislation.

Freight Operations Supervisor

Con-way Freight
1340 Spice Islands Dr.
Sparks, NV 89431
775-356-7402

- Supervise between 20-30 drivers on a daily basis.
- Coordinate logistics for the movement of freight to customers across the US.
- Responsible for maintaining a safe working environment for all employees and following OSHA, DOT, and Homeland Security regulations.

8/11-2012

Operations Representative

Bank of America
895 S. 21st St.
Sparks, NV 89431
775-332-6224

- Responsible for deposits in N. Nevada and N. California businesses.
- Reconcile discrepancies between customer claims and branch reports.
- Audit accounts for both local businesses and nationwide chains.

1/08-12/08, 8/09-12/10

EXTRACURRICULARS

- City of Reno Charter Committee, Current Member
- Reno Citizens Institute, 2013
- Strategic Plan Advisory Committee, University of Nevada, Reno
- Representative, Graduate Student Association,
University of Nevada, Reno, College of Business

REFERENCES

- Assemblyman Elliot T. Anderson
Chairman, Assembly Committee on Education (702) 785-2528
- Craig Hulse, Chief of Staff to the Speaker of the Nevada Assembly
(702) 325-9148
- Lt. KC Dalton, U.S. Navy, Surface Warfare Officer
Navy Officer Recruiter – Western Nevada Region (775) 741-5132

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Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: 1985	To: Present	

Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From:	To:	

Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From:	To:	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Candidate Signature

Margaret G Flint	12/15/2014
Printed Name	Date

Margaret G. Flint

700 W. 4th Street, Reno, NV 89503 775-7712-6137

MargaretGwen@att.net

December 15th, 2014

Dear Board of Washoe County Commissioners:

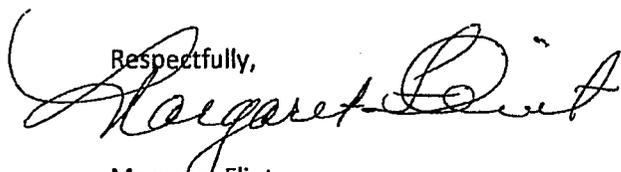
It is with great personal motivation, I request your serious consideration to my application for the appointment to represent the people of Assembly District 24.

- I possess 10 years of government relations experience at the Nevada Legislature representing the Nevada wedding chapel industry, The Nevada Humane Society and Canine Rehabilitation Center and Sanctuary. My experience has given me keen insight on the legislative process and how to effectively ensure bills are drafted, passed and enrolled.
- I have built and maintain solid relationships with Nevada legislators of both parties, North and South, and in both houses as well as Legislative Council Bureau Staff. I believe this gives me an advantage over other potential freshman legislators. I believe this experience also serves as an asset for effectively representing Washoe County.
- I have over 30 years invested in my family's tourist-oriented business. During these tough economic times our 52 year survival has been dependent on creative business strategy and thinking. I have applied this creative thinking to legislation I have participated in passing including successfully finding a new annual revenue source for Nevada's domestic violence organizations in 2009.
- I am involved in my community having served as secretary for a Washoe County Grand Jury for nearly three years and now volunteering my time and serving on the Board of Directors for Canine Rehabilitation Center and Sanctuary.
- My schedule is flexible enough to allow me to serve daily in Carson City during the legislative session.
- If I am selected as the Assembly District 24 representative, my experience and knowledge of the process will allow me to hit the ground running.

My enclosed resume highlights some significant legislative bills I have helped to draft, support and secure passage. If you are interested in seeing my entire synopsis I am happy to provide it for your review.

I respectfully request your consideration of me to fill this vacancy. If selected, I will work hard and consider it a great honor representing the people of AD24, Washoe County and the State of Nevada.

Respectfully,



Margaret Flint

Margaret Flint

700 W. 4th Street Reno, Nevada 89503

775-771-6137

MargaretGwen@att.net

Respected · Experienced · Honorable

Lobbying Highlights

2013 Regular Legislative Session:

AB168. Required County Advisory Boards on Wildlife to appoint one member who represents the general public.

- Testified and worked with proponents for successful passage in both houses. Signed by the Governor.

SB72. Makes various changes concerning cruelty to animals.

- Worked on this bill from day one. Negotiations meetings with sponsor and committee chair to negotiate language and amendments. Directly involved in opposition negotiations. Testified, lobbied and achieved passage in both houses. Signed by the Governor.

2011 Regular Legislative Session:

SB381. Revised provisions governing counties. Authorizing certain wedding chapels to issue marriage licenses when counties deviate from statutory hours of operation.

- Authored this piece of legislation. Negotiated the language. Testified and lobbied Judiciary committees in both houses. Worked with opposition in an attempt to address concerns. Lobbied full legislative body and achieved passage in both houses. Signed by the Governor.

SB223. Revised provisions relating to animal cruelty.

- Worked very closely on all aspects of this bill. This bill allows for certain acts of animal cruelty to be categorized as a felony. Also known as Cooney's Law. I connected the first responder to an extreme cruelty case from Washoe County with the sponsor of the bill, Senator Shirley Breeden. Assisted in organizing hearings and testimony. Participated in negotiations with law enforcement and opposition. Lobbied members of committee's and members of both houses. A very emotional and time consuming piece of legislation I am proud to have been a part of and to have witnessed passage in both houses. Signed by the Governor.

Margaret Flint

2009 Regular Legislative Session:

SB14. Increased fee of marriage license earmarked for aid of victims of domestic violence.

- Negotiated and found new revenue source that created 1.6 million in new annual revenue for the Domestic Violence organizations. Successful passage of both houses. Signed by the Governor. Signed by the Governor.

WORK HISTORY

Chapel of the Bells, Reno, NV

1984 – Present

Family owned & operated Wedding Chapel established in 1962

- Oversee day-to-day operations, manage four full-time employees
- Licensed wedding officiant in State of Nevada since 1998
- State and local licensing requirements
- Legislative advocacy for family business and industry as a whole (2003 – present)

Reno Wedding Chapel Alliance, Reno, NV

2011 – Present

Industry Association

- Formed industry association for the purpose of educating elected officials of the economic impact of the industry on the State of Nevada
- Legislative advocacy
- Member recruitment and communications

Legislative Advocacy, State of Nevada

2003 – Present

Paid and Pro Bono

Chapel of the Bells (family business)
Antique Angel Chapel
Arch of Reno Chapel
FTH Corp.
Nevada Mission Fellowship
Silver Bells Wedding Chapel
Vegas Adventure Chapel
Nevada Humane Society
Canine Rehabilitation Center & Sanctuary
Reno Wedding Chapel Alliance

Margaret Flint

ATTRIBUTES & CLIENT SERVICES

- Proven ability to work with and be a liaison between elected officials, legislative staff, clients and professional associations
- Ability to streamline tracking/monitoring of legislative activities for multiple clients
- In depth working knowledge of legislative process of the State of Nevada
- Forge coalitions with lobbyists of mutual interest
- Review and identify proposed legislation that may impact client

- Effectively communicate legislative issues to client for purpose of position analysis
- Strategically leverage client for legislative success
- Strong working relationships with members of both Houses, both parties, including leadership
- Identify solutions to legislative challenges and work with bill authors to address issues
- Active lobbying, both behind the scenes and at the witness table

- Coordinate, write and/or deliver testimony

- Provide timely legislative updates to client throughout legislative session
- Attend interim committee meetings and/or state regulatory hearings on behalf of client
- Attend client board meetings upon request
- Research and development of potential or future legislation
- Host luncheons, political fundraisers and educational events on behalf of client

CIVIC & COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Washoe County Grand Jury

2006 - 2009

- Served as Secretary
- Marked and submitted evidence, evaluated testimony, filed end of term report
- Visited and reported on county correctional facilities

Nevada Humane Society

2007 – Present

- Hands-on work with dogs
- Train dogs and address behavioral issues
- Attend and work with dogs directly at adoption events
- Government relations representation at State Legislature

Canine Rehabilitation Center and Sanctuary (CRCS)

2011-present

Margaret Flint

- Work directly with dogs with behavioral issues
- Assist in treatment, rehabilitation and socialization
- Governmental relations representation at County and State Legislative bodies

PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

Senator Mark Manendo

Las Vegas, Nevada
702-809-2571

Assemblyman James Ohrenschall

Las Vegas, Nevada
702-523-4766

Maurice Washington, Fmr State Senator

Deputy Director
Northern Nevada Development Authority
775-742-7227

Melodie Swan-Fisher

Nevada Dept. Health and Human Services
Sparks, Nevada
775-750-6822

Kevin O'Neil

Western Regional Director
ASPCA
916-214-0476

Kevin Ryan

Director
Nevada Humane Society, Reno
775-856-2000

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Beverlee McGrath

Government Relations Specialist/Advocate
805-816-4155

Holly Haley

Humane Society of United States
Las Vegas, Nevada
702-481-5023

Kathy Marino

Owner, Arch of Reno Wedding Chapel
775-842-9127

TICK SEGERBLOM
SENATOR
District No. 3



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Carson City, Nevada 89701-4747
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www.leg.state.nv.us

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700 South Third Street
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Fax No.: (702) 385-2909
Email: rsegerblom@lvcoxmail.com

State of Nevada Senate

December 10, 2014

Dear Washoe County Commissioners:

Please accept this letter as a total personal endorsement from me to fill the vacancy in AD24. As a member of the Nevada legislature and state senator I've had the pleasure of knowing and working with Margaret Flint since I first came to Carson City to represent southern Nevadan's as well as all the people of our great state.

Margaret knows, as well as anyone, how to work with both sides of the political aisle. She knows the art of compromise and how to bring people together for the total common good.

We are fortunate in having someone such as Margaret inasmuch as she is a major part of a well established small business Nevada family. The legislature needs more members who totally understand the challenges and complexities that face all Nevadan's in this period of continued recession.

Margaret is one of the few applicants I believe that can hit the ground running as she already is totally familiar with all the subtleties of the legislative process. She has represented myriad interests as a lobbyist and without exception is well respected by members of both legislative houses.

With the many challenges we Nevadan's face today and the crisis that face local government, education and the ever escalating costs of operating the various facets of state and local government, Margaret's business background is vital.

I would encourage you to nominate and appoint this lady without delay.

Thank you for allowing me to encourage your support of Ms. Flint.

Sincerely and Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "T. Segerblom", written over a large, stylized letter "R".

Senator Tick Segerblom

MARK MANENDO
SENATOR
District No. 21



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Las Vegas, Nevada 89122-4243
Home: (702) 451-8654
Toll Free to Carson City: (702) 486-2628
Twitter: @MManendo
Facebook: MarkManendo

COMMITTEES:
Chairman
Transportation
Vice Chair
Legislative Operations and Elections
Natural Resources
Member
Government Affairs

State of Nevada Senate

Seventy-Seventh Session

December 11, 2014

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(775) 684-1400
Fax No : (775) 684-6522
Email: Mark.Manendo@sen.state.nv.us
www.leg.state.nv.us

To the Washoe County Commissioners:

I'm writing this letter to urge the Washoe County Commission to appoint Ms. Margaret Flint to the Assembly District 24 seat recently vacated by former Assemblyman David Bobzien.

I have firsthand knowledge of Ms Flint's capabilities and qualifications for the position and have worked closely with her on issues brought before the State Senate and Assembly for the past several years. I myself have served in the Nevada Legislature for the past 20 years.

Margaret is a highly intelligent person that leaves no stone unturned when researching an issue and determining what impact it will have on her community. As someone who has been raised and educated in Nevada, she has deep roots in the Reno area and continues to be an active business owner.

Margaret possesses all of the qualities the general public would expect to see in someone representing them serving as their voice at the Legislature. She has always been impartial and willing to sit at the table to resolve a problem regardless of opposing views.

Her presence in Carson City has been consistent and steadfast. An advantage to the entire State is that she would require very little training. Margaret is ALREADY well read with the legislative process and on a first name basis with political leaders and members of both parties.

She would be an asset to the Nevada State Assembly and the legislative process and certainly to Washoe County as a whole. She's well-qualified and knowledgeable as to the issues that face Washoe County. Margaret stays well-informed and has been in Reno all of her life:

Thank you for your time and consideration. Happy Holidays!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Manendo".

Mark Manendo
Nevada State Senator

HARVEY J. MUNFORD
ASSEMBLYMAN
District No. 6



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State of Nevada Assembly

Seventy-Seventh Session

December 9, 2014

Dear Washoe County Commissioners:

I have known Margaret Flint as a legislative advocate since I arrived as a new member of the legislature in 2005. I respect her and her always professional demeanor. Her word is her bond.

I am honored by the privilege of being able to publicly endorse her for the vacancy that exists in Assembly District 24.

During this difficult recession we have all faced, Margaret has left her family in their Reno family business most successfully. While so many small Nevada businesses have completely folded and closed their doors, Margaret's tenacity and business savvy has been vital in helping her family keep their business robust and financially viable. The legislature needs more seasoned business persons to help deal with those tough money issues we will be facing.

I have always been impressed with Margaret's knowledge of what makes a good lobbyist. Without exception she is prepared and represents her clients efficiently. I have taken questions to her related to a specific bill or legislative measure and she always has an answer for me.

Most new legislators spend the better part of their first session learning the ropes; however, Margaret's experience as a five general session lobbyist gives her a huge edge over almost anyone else. She will bring honor to the position, is a fast study, and will hit the ground running. She is already prepared for what is for so many an extended and challenging learning curve. I truly believe the upcoming 2015 session will face many tough decisions and Margaret's experience gives her a huge edge in working with the entire Assembly. I hope you will agree she is the best choice.

I cannot think of anyone who can do a better job representing District 24, the entire legislature and all Nevadan's than Margaret Flint.

I look forward to the opportunity to work alongside her for the common good. Margaret has my endorsement.

Most sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Harvey J. Munford".

Harvey Munford
Assembly District 6



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Assistant County Clerk

December 10, 2014

Mr. David Humke, Chair
Ms. Bonnie Weber, Vice-Chair
Ms. Kitty Jung
Ms. Marsha Berkbigler
Mr. Vaughan Hartung

Dear Commissioners;

I am happy to write a letter of recommendation for Margaret Flint in support of her application to fill the Assembly seat representing District 24.

Margaret Flint has been a registered lobbyist for over 8 years. I have known and worked with Ms. Flint during that time. Our interactions have generally centered on legislation affecting the wedding industry.

Ms. Flint is extremely knowledgeable regarding the legislative process and the art of working with others in order to get a bill finalized and passed. Ms. Flint knows that cooperation and compromise are part of the process. She also understands that reasonable people may disagree, but she is always willing to reach out to the other side and find common ground.

Ms. Flint has operated a small business in Washoe County for many years. She understands the challenges facing the thousands of small business owners in this state. Margaret grew up in Washoe County and has lived there nearly her entire life. It is her home and she is committed to helping the community and the State grow stronger.

Margaret has a strong work ethic. She has been tireless in her advocacy for protecting animals and other issues close to her heart. I ask that you give serious consideration to Margaret Flint's application for the seat in Assembly District 24.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Diana Alba".
Diana Alba
Clark County Clerk

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December 5, 2014

Washoe County Commissioners
Humke, Berkbigler, Hartung, Jung and Weber
P.O Box 11130
Reno, NV 89520-0027

Reference: Filling the assembly seat vacated by Mr. Bobzien

Dear Commissioners:

This is the type of letter than NMA rarely does, but given the changes in the last election, the school district, the business outlook for your county and changes at the state level, I decided it is important speak up. I recommend you seriously consider filling the seat vacated this week with Margaret Flint.

Margaret knows the district, the legislative process, the small business concerns and the issues probably better than anyone else you can find to fill the position on short notice. Their family business survived during the recession when many did not in northern Nevada. You know full economic recovery has not yet arrived in your county, but the future clearly looks brighter than it has in many years. This is not the time to bring in someone who will be in the minority at a critical time when you need someone who can and will be effective. Margaret has a long history of working with legislators in both parties, from throughout the state and abilities to bridge gaps. You need her skillset.

The state, the legislature, your commission, the Reno council, the Washoe County School Board and the business community in your county have experienced a whipsaw cycle for the last several months; you need stability and knowledge. You have new players and turmoil throughout the region and in the state. You need legislative help in several areas impacting your county, its citizens, its children and its business community. You are unlikely to have a good legislative session, but you know that as well as John Slaughter does with his vast experience. In a stable environment, Margaret might not be the best candidate you could find, but in your current situation, I think you need her skills, process knowledge and relationships.

Regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ray Bacon', is written over the typed name.

Ray Bacon
Executive Director

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Randi Thompson
1435 Coronet Dr.
Reno, NV 89509

December 14, 2014

Dear Washoe County Commissioners:

I'm writing to express my support for Margaret Flint for Assembly District 26.

I have known Margaret for over 6 years in our roles as lobbyists. She understands and respects the legislative process and would not have a steep learning curve if appointed as a legislator. She may have strong opinions, but she has an open mind and a willingness to respectfully listen to all sides of an issue.

Margaret's father is a legend in the halls of the legislature as a quiet yet influential lobbyist, and she no doubt has learned skills from him that will help her be a respectful and influential legislator.

Since I represent small business owners in Nevada as State Director of the National Federation of Independent Business (NFIB), I'm thrilled that Margaret is a small business owner, as so few legislators have the experience to run a business and see how the legislation they pass actually impacts employers and employees.

On a personal level, Margaret is thoughtful, intelligent, kind and sincere. I expect that she will remain that way even after she experiences the "power of the office." I feel Margaret will have an open door policy to constituents, lobbyists and legislators, and will be that person to find common ground among diverse opinions.

Thank you for your service to our community, and thanks for the opportunity to express my support for Margaret Flint.

Sincerely,

Randi Thompson

Randi Thompson
State Director, NFIB
VP, Amplify Relations

**Arch of Reno Wedding Chapel
155 North Virginia Street
Reno, Nevada 89501
(775) 337-1555**

12/10/2014

To Whom it May Concern:

As owner & the acting general manager of the Arch of Reno Wedding Chapel, I have had the opportunity to work with Margaret Flint many times in the past 12 years, not only as a fellow chapel owner, but also as a chapel owner's lobbyist. I have found Margaret to be a very knowledgeable, capable and respectable business person. She has been instrumental in looking out for and uniting our industry in a time that has been extremely sensitive.

In addition, I have spent the last two sessions at the Nevada Legislature as a lobbyist for the wedding industry at Margaret's side. I have found Margaret to be well respected at the legislature for her knowledge of many issues facing our state. Not only did she work hard lobbying for the interests of our businesses, she volunteered her time and lobbied for the Nevada Humane Society and Canine Rehabilitation Center and Sanctuary and issues involving animals. I know she will work hard to protect the interests of her constituents if she is appointed.

I believe that Margaret's experience as a business owner and lobbyist make her the most qualified candidate for the Assembly District 24 seat and respectfully request that you appoint her to the position.

Cordially,

Kathy Marino
Owner, Arch of Reno

Washoe County Board of Commissioners
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, NV 89701

December 12, 2014

Dear Washoe County Board of Commissioners;

It's a pleasure for me to send you this letter of recommendation on behalf of Ms. Margaret Flint. I've known Margaret Flint for several years, we have become good friends and I've watch her grow in her commitment and dedication.

Ms. Flint's professionalism and enthusiasm will provide the necessary leadership that our community has become accustomed to. Her ability to be patient and her willingness to demonstrate an openness to work with diverse interest makes her a strong applicant.

Ms. Flint will be an asset to the Nevada State Legislature and to Northern Nevada. I'm confident in endorsing Margaret for Mr. David Bobzien's open Assembly seat District 24.

Please do not hesitate to call me if you would like to discuss this recommendation further.

Sincerely,

Maurice Washington, Former Nevada State Senator

775 742 7227



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December 15, 2014

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John Slaughter, Washoe County Manager
Washoe County Administration
9th and Wells
Reno, Nevada

Dear Mr. Slaughter

I am writing this letter to endorse Margaret Flint's application for appointment to the vacant Assembly District 24 seat. In my role as the Nevada State Director of the Humane Society of the United States, I've had the pleasure of getting to know Margaret over the past several years. She has been working at the state legislature since 2007. In that time she has made her presence known. She is undoubtedly passionate and knowledgeable when it comes to wildlife issues, but her knowledge doesn't stop there. She has worked tirelessly for many other interests as a lobbyist in the Nevada State Legislature. She has a solid understanding of the legislative process. She has a very strong work ethic and an ability to work with legislatures on both sides of the aisle. She has proven year after year that she is highly capable of moving legislation forward. This is a feat that has earned her respect from her colleagues and all those working in the state house. She believes in fighting hard for a cause, but understands that the need for compromise is often necessary. Margaret is a hardworking, dedicated, righteous person. She possesses so many qualities that make her well suited for a roll as a public servant. Margaret would be an impeccable fit for this position, and I know that she would make an excellent representative for the citizens of Washoe County. I cannot imagine a more suited candidate. I implore you to consider appointing Ms. Margaret Flint to the AD 24 seat.

Sincerely,

Holly Michael Haley



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December 12, 2014

Washoe County Board of Commissioners
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Board of Commissioners:

I am writing in support of the selection of Ms. Margaret Flint to the vacant District 24 Assembly seat by the county commissioners. Ms. Flint is an established and involved community member in our district, and has the kind of leadership and background to effectively represent our community in the legislature. She has a long history of success as business owner of Northern Nevada's oldest wedding chapel, with a deep understanding of our economy and the importance of the tourism industry. Ms. Flint also possesses strong knowledge of our state legislature, having served effectively as a lobbyist for years; in addition, she serves as a strong advocate for animal welfare, donating her time to lobby on behalf of animal rights organizations as well as volunteering to care for the animals she lobbies on behalf of.

I urge you to select Ms. Flint as my assembly representative. With her background, legislative experience, business acumen, community service, understanding of our economy, and roots in our community, she is the kind of strong female leadership our community needs to represent our district.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Melanie S. Lopez", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Melanie S. Lopez

December 9, 2014

To the Washoe County Commissioners:

I'm writing to you regarding the appointment the Washoe County Commission will be making in the very near future to fill the Assembly seat in District #24 that has been held by Assemblyman David Bobzien. Mr. Bobzien has vacated his Assembly seat as he will now serve on the Washoe County Commission.

I strongly SUPPORT Ms Margaret Flint as a candidate to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Bobzien. Ms. Flint was raised and educated in Nevada and has deep roots in the Reno area. She continues to be an active business owner in Reno and has been active in local issues that have an effect on businesses in the area in general.

Margaret is perceptive, enthusiastic, energetic and highly intelligent; all qualities that the general public would like to see in someone who is representing them and would serve as their voice when debating issues and legislation that will personally affect them. Many organizations can attest to her tenacity and willingness to jump in and 'get the job done'. She is open to new thoughts and ideas and has a sound working relationship with all parties.

Her presence in Carson City has had a tremendous impact on the legislators that she has met with and testified before in various committee hearings. She has a common-sense approach and a certain knack for explaining a very difficult, convoluted issue in simple terms that is direct and to the point. Margaret's familiarity with the legislative process would certainly be helpful and speaks well for her qualifications as a candidate for the Assembly seat.

I urge you to appoint Margaret Flint to the vacant Assembly seat in District 24. She's well-qualified, knowledgeable as to what Washoe County needs and what impacts the county as she's been in Reno all of her life, and she's interested in playing a part to make Washoe County a 'better place'. She would need very little training and could hit the ground running.

Sincerely,

BEVERLEE McGRATH
Business owner
Nevada Legislative Specialist & Special Projects
775) 815-1690

TO: Washoe County Commissioners
FROM: Trish Swain, Retired Educator
1285 Baring Boulevard #360
Sparks, NV 89434
RE: Endorsement of Margaret Flint

Dec. 9, 2014

Dear Commissioners:

I enthusiastically and emphatically recommend Margaret Flint as your choice to fill David Bobzien's place as representative for Assembly District 24.

Margaret is one of the hardest working people I know. She has a responsible and demanding position in the wedding industry and yet she finds time to volunteer for civic causes. Margaret has been a presence at the Nevada Legislature since 2007. In her ten years of experience she has met and effectively worked with lawmakers on both sides of the aisle. She is skilled in the arts of negotiation and compromise. She knows first-hand how government works, and therefore has an advantage over any newcomers who would seek this position.

On the personal level, I experience Margaret as a supportive, strong, well-informed and dedicated individual. She has a generous spirit, and she will always help out if she possibly can. She is considerate and understanding. Her compassion for animals is obvious to anyone who knows Margaret. She also has a wealth of experience in the business world and in politics. She is scrupulous about her responsibilities and she is prompt in responding to communications. She stays informed on issues as they come up, and she knows Reno and Washoe County very well. She has strength of character that makes her a leader.

I cannot imagine a better choice for our representative in District 24 and I urge you to appoint Ms. Flint.

Respectfully submitted,
Trish Swain, Retired Educator

**Donald A. Molde, M.D.
3290 Penfield Circle
Reno, Nevada 89502**



December 9, 2014

**John Slaughter, Washoe County Manager
Washoe County Administration
9th and Wells
Reno, Nevada**

Regarding: Application of Margaret Flint for vacated Bobzien Assembly seat

Dear Mr. Slaughter

This letter is to endorse Margaret Flint's application for appointment to the vacant Assembly seat. I believe she would be an energetic, dedicated public servant on behalf of the citizens of Washoe County and would help move the State of Nevada forward in a positive direction as well.

I've known Ms Flint for several years, but particularly well over the past couple of legislative sessions where we have worked together on various animal issues. She has also been most helpful with various animal and wildlife issues that are ongoing between legislative sessions. She volunteers at a local animal rescue facility.

Beyond her clear interest in domestic and wildlife issues, she has a broad perspective, is very well versed in legislative history, mechanics and procedures, and knows many legislators already. Her father, George Flint, is the Dean of lobbyists in the state, and has been a friend of mine for over 30 years. I met him when I was active at the legislature while still practicing medicine in Reno. I can see where she gets her political interests and acumen.

She has a sharp, focused way of looking at issues, likes details, and has a problem-solving mentality that is so needed these days.

We should also take note that she is a long-time businesswoman, knows the wedding chapel business as well as anyone, and is firmly established in the private sector.

I hope the Washoe County Commission will favorably consider Ms Flint's application.

Sincerely

Donald A. Molde, M.D.

JAMES OHRENSCHALL
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Dear Washoe County Commissioners:

It is my pleasure to write a letter of recommendation for Margaret Flint. Her extensive experience with the Nevada Legislature and her business background make her an excellent candidate for the vacancy in Assembly District 24.

I have known Ms. Flint for quite some time and have witnessed firsthand some of her achievements. For example, Ms. Flint and I worked together on successful animal welfare legislation that passed into law. As a legislative advocate, Margaret has proven time after time that she can reach across both sides of the aisle to craft good public policy.

In addition to her experience as a legislative advocate at the Nevada Legislature, Margaret also has a solid business background. As the owner of a small business, Margaret knows firsthand what Nevada businesses need to succeed. The Nevada Legislature can highly benefit from Ms. Flint's legislative and business experience.

I encourage you to consider Margaret Flint's extensive qualifications and commitment to the citizens of our State when you make this important decision.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "James Ohenschall".

James Ohenschall
Nevada State Assemblyman

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From: "Slaughter, John" <JSlaughter@washoecounty.us>
Date: December 17, 2014 at 7:30:04 AM PST
To: "Hart, Kathy" <KHart@washoecounty.us>, "Orduna Hastings, Joey" <JHastings@washoecounty.us>
Subject: FW: Recommendation for Margaret Flint-recieved by email

From: elaine carrick [<mailto:elaineccarrick@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, December 15, 2014 7:52 PM
To: Slaughter, John
Cc: MargaretGwen1957
Subject: Recommendation for Margaret Flint

Dear Mr. Slaughter,

I would like to recommend Ms. Margaret Flint for the District 24 seat that has recently been vacated by David Bobzien. As a long time Reno resident, businesswoman and lobbyist, Margaret understands the legislative process and how government works. She would be a great asset for not only her district but also in working with other legislators to accomplish their goals for the upcoming session. I strongly recommend considering Margaret for this position.

Elaine Carrick
6180 S. Featherstone Cir.
Reno, NV 89511

Paul J. Enos
8745 Technology Way, Ste. E
Reno, NV 89521

December 15, 2014

Washoe County Board of Commissioners
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Commissioners,

I want to go on record as wholeheartedly endorsing Margaret Flint to fill the vacancy in State Assembly District 24.

Having served as a legislative advocate in a Nevada since 2000, I have worked with Margaret in the State Legislature on issues that effect Nevada's small businesses and overall economic climate. As a small business woman, Margaret brings a perspective to the State Assembly that enhances the success of our state and community.

Whether it is bringing in more tourism to the Reno-Sparks area, or navigating a small wedding chapel through the ups and downs of the economy, Margaret's real world and legislative experience will give her the ability to be a great advocate and public servant.

Aside from her work as a small business women, Margaret is passionate about the well being of animals...dogs especially. I have watched her work tirelessly, against steep opposition, as a pro bono animal advocate. Her diplomacy and stateswoman-like approach often result in success.

I believe that Margaret will be a hardworking and accessible legislator and a great asset to our Washoe County delegation.

Paul J. Enos

Heather Goulding
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December 13, 2014

Board of Washoe County Commissioners
1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Board of County Commissioners:

I am writing in application for the vacant Assembly District 24 seat. I am interested in the appointment because I feel a deep civic responsibility to contribute to the well-being of our community and the State of Nevada.

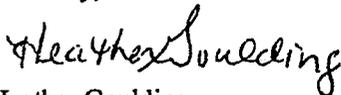
My education, as well as my professional and personal experience, have prepared me to fairly and effectively participate in the legislative process in a manner that will contribute to the health and prosperity of Nevada and Nevadans. I earned a Master in Business Administration with an emphasis logistics analysis from the University of Nevada, Reno in 1997. I have worked in the field of logistics and more recently in grant administration and program management. And as importantly, I have been involved in a number of community organizations in Northern Nevada for many years.

I believe that effective governance begins with an accurate appraisal of policy issues and with a commitment to finding common ground among stakeholders. My strengths include the ability to quickly synthesize complex information, to identify priorities, and to develop viable solutions to challenging problems.

I have lived in the heart of District 24 for over 20 years: at the confluence of multi-generational Nevadans and recent immigrants, of laborers and academics, of young families in their first homes as well as senior citizens struggling to maintain their independence. I have worked in the private sector with profit objectives, in the public sector with educational objectives, and in the non-profit sector with community development objectives. I have been an ambitious professional, a working mother and a stay at home mom. But in all these roles, I have been a Nevadan, concerned about my community, and committed to making it a better place for everyone.

Please consider me to represent District 24 so that I can help make Nevada a state in which all citizens have the ability to achieve their aspirations.

Sincerely,



Heather Goulding

Qualifications: I have lived in my current home (1250 Brookfield Drive, Reno, Nevada) since October 1993, with the exception of two intervals (January 2001 – June 2002 and August 2009 – August 2010). I have been a registered Democrat in Nevada since moving to the state in 1992. My birthdate is January 30, 1965.

Attachments: Resume and Affidavit of Residency

Heather Goulding
1250 Brookfield Dr, Reno, NV 89503
heather.goulding@gmail.com • 775-787-5683 (home) • 775-233-6663 (cell)

Skills Summary

Exceptional at synthesizing information, identifying priorities and executing effective, strategic, creative solutions.

Education

MBA Logistics Analysis , University of Nevada, Reno	1997
BA English/Creative Writing , University of Wisconsin, Madison	1987

Experience

Program Manager

Integrative Neuroscience Center of Excellence in Biomedical Engineering (COBRE)

University of Nevada, Reno

April 2013 - Current

- Planning and oversight of \$1.9 million annual budget of federal funding (National Institutes of Health). Responsibilities include increasing impact on campus community through strategic planning, ensuring compliance with federal, state and institutional regulations concerning grant fund spending and annual reports to funding agency.
- Developed and implemented outreach plans to further develop neuroscience program at UNR including Brain Awareness Week 2014 to include interdisciplinary lecture series, internationally renowned neuroscience guest lecturer, interactive events to engage undergraduates, brain art contests, retrospective of brain imaging technology, and student organized events. Events drew over 1300 participants.
- Currently under development: research subject recruiting database, annual PR plan, web page and social media management, career skills development program and diversity recruitment and retention program for neuroscience graduate program.

Board Member

Susan G. Komen for the Cure Northern Nevada Affiliate

January 2012 - Current/volunteer

- **Board VP and Mission Chair** (Dec 2013). Responsible for affiliate's Community Profile development (Dec 2013 – April 2015) a community health needs assessment.
- **Grants Committee Chair** (Jan 2012). Establish and maintain partnerships with breast health service providers to reduce barriers to care for individuals impacted by breast cancer. Manage grants cycle which includes: preparing and distributing RFAs, providing grant writing training workshops for applicants, managing peer review process, securing approval from the board of directors for grant slate, issuing contracts, meeting with grantees, reviewing progress and final reports and closing out completed contracts.

Program Manager

Nevada IDeA Network of Biomedical Research Excellence (INBRE)

University of Nevada, School of Medicine, Reno, NV

2006 - 2009

- Interfaced with federal funding agency (NIH) and numerous institutions within Nevada System of Higher Education on program expectations and performance. Operated within complex federal, state and institutional regulations.
- Provided business process analysis, program assessment and communications expertise to \$17 million, 5-year National Institutes of Health (NIH) infrastructure grant which provided funding to the following biomedical research projects and services in Nevada: proteomics, genomics, cytometry laboratories, faculty research support, biomedical student support.
- Participated in renewal grant application process that secured additional \$16 million over 5 years of funding.

Logistics Analyst
iGo.com, Reno, NV

1999 - 2000

- Developed reporting and analysis tools in MS Access to provide live performance data from Great Plains enterprise resource planning software.
- Bridged operations groups and IT team, resulting in process improvements, e.g. elimination of manual processes in warehouse, implementation of advanced software functions.

Senior Logistics Analyst
Skyway Freight Systems, Inc. Watsonville, CA

1997 - 1999

- Analyzed customer needs and created customized business solutions for external accounts.
- Application analyst and order management specialist on quick-response, supply chain solutions development team. Direct responsibility for Dell Computer and Micron Technology accounts. Presented custom solutions to clients (HP, Dell, Micron, CompuCom, Entex, Skil-Bosch, MicroAge, CVS Pharmacy, 3Com, Sega, e-commerce start-ups, etc.).
- Managed development of web site that allowed component suppliers and OEMs (Dell and Micron) to track and fulfill JIT replenishment requirements. Designed user interfaces, provided data mapping and functional specifications.
- Application specialist on Industri-Matematik International's world-class demand chain software application (System ESS). Expert in many functional areas of the application as well as in-depth understanding of underlying Oracle data structure. Customer advisory board member.
- Developed and documented process descriptions; configured and implemented order management software; trained personnel; provided ongoing support and recommended continual process improvements for ongoing operations.

Business Analyst and Information Systems Manager
University of Nevada Press, Reno, NV

1992 - 1997

- Conducted detailed activity based cost analysis of publication operations. Identified and eliminated nonvalue added activities in publishing process, resulting in savings through new process definitions and outsourcing.
- Developed centralized relational database to increase managerial and operational productivity and to improve customer service response time. Annual staffing requirements reduced by estimated 3120 hours with a savings of \$300,000 over 5 years.
- Proposed and executed migration to a new accounting system that improved financial reporting. Developed pre- and post-publishing financial analysis tools for executive staff.
- Proposed and executed in-house electronic design and production methods resulting in projected annual savings of \$100,000. Operational changes reduced product development cycle by 4 to 6 weeks and tripled the volume of marketing material produced.

Community service

- Susan G. Komen for the Cure of Northern Nevada: Board VP, Mission Chair, Grants Committee Chair, Race for the Cure committee, Pink Tie Gala committee
- Sky Tavern Junior Ski Program: instructor and trainer, Professional Ski Instructors of America Certified
- High Desert Montessori School: board of directors trustee (Washoe County School District public charter school)
- Friends of High Desert Montessori School (parent organization): founder, president, fund raiser

STATE OF NEVADA
DECLARATION OF RESIDENCY
STATE LEGISLATOR



Each address of a candidate must be the STREET address of the residence where he/she actually, as opposed to constructively, resided or resides, in accordance with NRS 281.050, if one has been assigned. The Declaration of Candidacy must not be accepted for the filing if any of the candidate's addresses are listed as a post office box, unless a street address has not been assigned to the residence. (Attach additional sheet or sheets of residences as necessary.)

**Declaration of Residency for Office of
State Senator, Assemblyman or Assemblywoman**

I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I have been a citizen resident of this state as required by NRS 218A.200 and have actually, as opposed to constructively, resided at the following residence or residences since November 1 of the preceding year.

2450 Lymbery St. Apt. 323	Reno	NV	89509
Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: January 2014	To: Present	

1345 Main St	Mina	NV	89422
Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: March 2013	To: December 2013	

2450 Lymbery St. Apt. 204	Reno	NV	89509
Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From: March 2012	To: March 2013	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Michael Guss	12-11-14
Printed Name	Date

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Washoe County Board of Commissioners
PO Box 11130
Reno, NV 89520

Dear Honorable Members of the Washoe County Commission,

I am applying for the vacant Assembly District 24 seat. I feel my background in economic development, public land policy, and as a Congressional staffer is right for Nevada's current moment.

In 2012, I managed the Stronger Economies Together economic development planning process for a nine county region that included Washoe County and surrounding rural areas. We engaged over 225 people in at least one intensive four hour planning session where consensus was formed. I co-wrote the resulting SET Economic Blueprint. The plan was nationally recognized and laid the groundwork for many economic development successes.

From February 2013 to December 2014, I was the Rural Community Liaison in the Office of Congressman Steven Horsford. In that capacity, I assisted in providing strong constituent services to residents of the newly drawn Fourth Congressional District. I worked with federal agencies including the Department of Interior, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Defense, the Department of Commerce, and the Veterans Administration on priorities of the many communities in the Fourth District. Successes included: working with the Nevada Hospital Association, the Bureau of Land Management and the US Department of Commerce to ensure a \$19.6 million broadband grant, which provides improved telemedicine services to rural Nevada, proceeded; a USDA grant to Mineral County which funded the purchase of an off road ambulance; an engineering study for a replacement water system in Trout Canyon; and working with the State of Nevada on an Army Corps of Engineers flood channel on Mt. Charleston.

As a member of Congressman Horsford's staff, I also assisted the Congressman with outreach in support of the Lyon County Conservation and Economic Development Act. This piece of legislation, if passed by the Senate and signed into law by the President, would enable the full development of a Copper Mine near Yerington and create 800 to 1,000 jobs. My work on this legislation gave me a strong understanding of public lands issues.

I am seeking appointment to continue my work on these issues. If appointed, I would pursue the following:

1. Working to identify how graduates of Washoe County Schools, community colleges, and the University of Nevada could obtain skills needed for forthcoming large economic development projects in the region. The State must provide reasonable incentives that encourage the well-trained alumni of Nevada institutions to stay here and form the workforce of the future. Further, I would strongly support public computing centers--like the ones

created in Lyon and Mineral Counties by a grant I co-wrote while at Western Nevada Development District. Many people cannot afford internet access, and with many job applications only being available online, public computing centers are a crucial resource for the public.

2. I would work with the Nevada Association of Counties and other parties to craft a solution to the issues with the administration of federal lands in Nevada. Too often federal agencies do a poor job of consulting the public and allowing residents of affected communities, including Washoe County, to determine their own future. Further, land that has been identified for disposal should be disposed at whatever price the market will allow. Long term solutions to this issue must be inclusive and emphasize listening to residents of Nevada. Finally, we must form a strong bipartisan, rural/urban, business/labor coalition to ensure the Greater Sage Grouse is not listed as an endangered species. Even the threat of a listing can cripple good development, cost Nevada jobs, and constrain local governments.

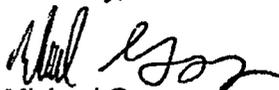
3. Nevada's property tax system should be streamlined so it is more predictable for local governments. A cap on property tax decreases due to declines in assessed value would enable local governments to budget within a predictable band. This would ensure that local governments are not forced into sudden and severe budget cuts by dramatic declines in assessed property values, as has happened in the recent past.

4. We must improve our mental health system, but that does not mean simply throwing more money at the problem and creating an even larger government bureaucracy. The mental health system should be easier to navigate and less confusing. The system should be designed so that people who know they need help are directed to treatment before severe mental health crises occur.

5. We must work to solve the long-term infrastructure needs in Northern Nevada. Washoe County has significant school maintenance needs, as well as a need for improved sewer treatment. Yet with our economy still recovering and budgets still constrained, funding for these priorities is scarce. If appointed to the legislature, I would work to ensure that Washoe County and the City of Reno have the tools they need to access low interest, long-term federal loans. This would minimize any impact these projects have on annual budgets.

I feel my background and inclusive, consensus building approach would benefit the citizens of the 24th District. Thank you for your consideration of my application.

Sincerely,



Michael Guss

Michael Guss
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Experience

Rural Community Liaison, Office of U.S. Representative Steven Horsford (NV-04), February 2013-December 2014: Performed outreach and constituent service work for the rural portions of a seven county congressional district. Responsible for over 100 cases of constituents having problems dealing with federal agencies. Primary caseworker for Department of Interior and Department of Agriculture cases. Managed all case work related to the ongoing drought in rural Nevada. Handled rural Affordable Care Act outreach and casework. Developed strategies to perform targeted outreach to rural constituents in the following counties: Esmeralda, Lincoln, Lyon, Mineral, Nye, and White Pine. Staffed the Congressman on rural tours. Provided weekly written briefings on rural issues to the Congressman. Worked on rural public lands and rural broadband issues. Assisted with outreach in support of the Lyon County Conservation and Economic Development Act. Responsible for reviewing initial requests for Letters of Support of federal funding applications in rural areas. Drafted Letters of Support for the Congressman's approval. Worked with the Nevada Hospital Association, the Department of Commerce and the Bureau of Land Management to resolve a right of way issue and allow a \$19.6 million grant that will provide enhanced broadband and telemedicine services to hospitals in Pahrump, Tonopah, Hawthorne, and Yerington to proceed. Coordinated the Congressman's response to the Hawthorne Army Depot incident that killed 7 Marines and wounded 8 others. Assisted the Mineral County Fire Department in obtaining USDA grant which funded the purchase an off road ambulance that was identified as a need in the aftermath of the Depot incident. Assisted in the Congressman's response to the Carpenter 1 Fire on Mt. Charleston in July of 2013. Worked with the communities of Trout Canyon and Rainbow Canyon to help identify possible funding streams for the replacement of a water system and the construction of a flood diversion channel respectively. Worked directly with elected officials—County Commissioners, City Council Members and Members of the Nevada Legislature—on issues relevant to rural Nevada. Assisted in the Congressman's response to protests and unrest over BLM enforcement actions near Bunkerville. Organized two meetings of local elected stakeholders, who met to discuss potential solutions to the problem with the Congressman.

Economic Development and Grants Manager, City of Dixon, California, November 2012 to January 2013: Managed \$420,000 CDBG Revolving Loan Fund. Reviewed loan applications, made recommendations to the loan committee and serviced existing loans. Closed \$3 million HOME Loan for the construction of a senior apartment complex. Drafted resolutions and presented staff reports to the Council. Reviewed vetting of an economic development proposal done by my predecessor. When evidence that the project was fraudulent was uncovered, I took appropriate action to protect the public.

Program Manager (Original Title: Project Coordinator/VISTA) Western Nevada Development District, November 2009-October 2012: Wrote over \$2 million in successful grant applications for private, state, and federal funding. Funded projects included a \$745,000 grant to establish computing centers in Lyon and Mineral Counties, a \$70,000 grant to establish a cut and sew center in Douglas County, a \$25,000 grant that facilitated the

establishment of farmers markets in rural towns, a \$25,000 grant to establish a park with a hiking trail in Lockwood, and a \$60,000 grant to replace dated bathrooms at the sports complex in Fernley. Conducted CDBG Monitoring on a contract basis for the State of Nevada Small Cities CDBG program--ensured there was adequate documentation to closeout 31 grants. Served as project manager for a nine county, seven city fusion of the Stronger Economies Together and Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy processes. The process engaged over 225 individuals to attend at least one four hour session where participants discussed what the future economy of the Reno region and surrounding rural areas should be. Co-authored Stronger Economies Together Blueprint. The SET project won the National Association of Development Associations 2012 Innovation Award for Economic Development. The Western Nevada SET Blueprint is currently used by USDA as an example of a highly effective regional plan.

Education:

Master's of Public Administration, University of Baltimore.

Bachelor's of Arts, Political Science, University of Pittsburgh.

Professional References:

Clint Koble, State Executive Director USDA Farm Service Agency--Nevada. Clinton.koble@nv.usda.gov, (775)-857-8500 ext. 128

Edith Fernandez, Vice President, Nevada State College (former District Director, Office of U. S. Representative Steven Horsford) fernaned@yahoo.com (915)-269-3480

Christie O'Melia, Chief Operating Officer, Financial Guidance Center (former Director of Constituent Services, Office of U. S. Representative Steven Horsford) Christina.omelia@gmail.com, 702-525-7165.

Sean A. Rowe

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December 8, 2014

To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Sean Rowe, and I am the District Attorney for Mineral County.

I am writing in support of Michael Guss' application to Assembly District 24. I have worked with Mr. Guss on several issues while he was the Rural Community Liaison for Congressman Steven Horsford.

The Congressman, with the support of Mr. Guss, assisted Mineral County in obtaining an offroad ambulance. Mineral County identified this ambulance as a crucial need following the terrible training accident that took the lives of seven Marines and wounded eight others on the Hawthorne Army Depot in March of 2013.

We have continued to work with Mr. Guss on matters related to the restoration of the environmentally-threatened Walker Lake, long-term plans to keep the Hawthorne Army Depot open, the looming potential listing of sage grouse in Nevada, and public lands issues impacting the county. I have always found Mr. Guss to be open to different points of view, and to be honest and fair. Furthermore, I have appreciated his ability to comprehend and work with others to resolve issues issues facing Mineral County.

I support Mr. Guss' appointment to the legislature because he would bring a consensus building approach which is desperately needed in a time where political issues are frequently seen as black and white but solutions require an ability to see a spectrum of grey.

Sincerely yours,



Sean A. Rowe

To Whom it may concern:

My name is Jerrie Tipton. I am a Mineral County Commissioner. I am writing in support of Michael Guss' application to Nevada Assembly District 24 seat.

I served on the NACO Public lands Task Force which reviewed public land use policy in Nevada. I have worked with Mr. Guss on matters relating to public lands in Nevada. I believe that Mr. Guss has a strong understanding of public land issues and problems with the administration of public lands in the state. Mr. Guss has developed extensive knowledge on the sage grouse issue and its potential impact on development in Nevada. Mr. Guss' expertise on this issue can only help the effort to prevent sage grouse from being listed as an endangered species.

Mr. Guss also worked with the Nevada Hospital Association on a \$19.6 million broadband grant which links rural hospitals in Carson City, Minden, Yerington, Hawthorne, Tonopah and Pahrump with Las Vegas. Mr. Guss assisted Congressman Horsford in getting US Department of the Interior and the US Department of Commerce to reach an agreement which allowed the project to be permitted and proceed. This project will greatly increase my county's access to mental health services available in Reno and Sparks and provide new markets for Reno and Sparks hospitals.

Mr. Guss' inclusive style and ability to work with individuals of all ideological backgrounds make him an excellent candidate for the Assembly


Jerrie Tipton

December 9, 2014

Chairman David Humke
Washoe County Board of Commissioners
P.O. Box 11130
Reno, NV 89520

Dear Chairman Humke:

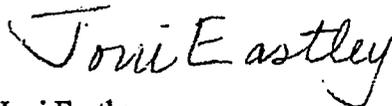
I am writing in support of Michael Guss' application for the Assembly District 24 seat. I have worked with Mr. Guss first as a Nye County Commissioner and now as Assistant County Manager for Nye County. I understand that with the resignation of Mr. David Bobzien, the Washoe County Board of Commissioners must appoint a Democrat to fill his vacancy. I unhesitatingly offer my words of support for Mr. Guss based on the excellent work he has done on behalf of my community, Tonopah, and for Nye County.

As a member of Congressman Steven Horsford's staff, Mr. Guss worked to bring expanded broadband to Nye Regional Medical Center in Tonopah and Desert View Hospital in Pahrump. Mr. Guss' work with the Bureau of Land Management and the Department of Commerce helped this \$19.6 million broadband project, which provides critical telemedicine links to hospitals in Las Vegas and Reno, move forward.

I have depended many times on Mr. Guss' strong understanding of public lands issues and relied on his assistance with problems of mismanagement at the Bureau of Land Management. Mr. Guss firmly believes that local consultation and support should be the cornerstone of the BLM's planning processes and that for Nevada to prosper we must solve our long-term public lands problems. Throughout our working relationship I have found him to be open, engaged, an interested partner in government, and dependable.

Mr. Guss would bring an open and inclusive style to the Assembly District 24 seat. His work to build consensus across Nevada is something that the legislature needs as it moves into a difficult legislative session. He would serve Washoe County and the State of Nevada well in this position. Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the abilities of a man I hold in high regard.

Yours very truly,



Joni Eastley
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Tonopah, NV 89049

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I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I have been a citizen resident of this state as required by NRS 218A.200 and have actually, as opposed to constructively, resided at the following residence or residences since November 1 of the preceding year.

17 South Virginia
Street Name, Number

Reno
City

NV 89501
State Zip Code

Dates of Residency:

From: June 2012

To: present

17 South Virginia
Street Name, Number

Reno
City

NV 89501
State Zip Code

Dates of Residency:

From: November 2000

To: June 2012

645 A Plumas
Street Name, Number

Reno
City

NV 89501
State Zip Code

Dates of Residency:

From: January 2000

To: November 2000

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

X

Candidate Signature

Erik Holland
Printed Name

12/10/14
Date

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December 14th, 2014

Cover letter for State Legislative Seat

My name is Erik Holland. I am a working artist and an art teacher at Rainshadow Charter High School. I have run for office several times throughout my life, once for a state legislative seat in Alaska and twice for mayor of Reno. I have also run for and secured seats on the board of directors of the Washoe County School District Classified Employees Association, the Sierra Club, and I served on Kitty Jung's advisory board. The experience I have had serving on the last three have helped me learn negotiating skills, and as Chair of the Toiyabe Chapter of the Sierra Club, I learned how to chair meetings and keep people together.

The main reasons I am seeking this position include my desire to take advantage of a historic opportunity to reform Nevada's tax structure, to manage the growth that is coming in a sensible manner, and to protect our unique environment. I believe I have the skills to be an effective legislator in a minority party environment.

As an art teacher at a Reno charter high school, I am of course concerned about education funding, and believe it should be improved. As the owner of a small business who has to pay sales taxes that are effectively a seven percent tax on every painting I sell, I am very interested in working with the governor, who has a historic opportunity to fix Nevada's outmoded tax structure. And...I will also talk about the Bill of Rights.

Every oath of office stresses defending the Constitution of the United States. The Bill of Rights has taken a pounding in this century, from the Patriot Act passed right after 9/11, to the indefinite detention clauses within the NDAA signed by President Obama on December 31st, 2011.

In 1215, a group of nobles gathered around King John at Runnymede in England. They no longer wanted the monarch to be able to decide their fate without a trial of their peers. Hence the Magna Carta and habeas corpus was born. Almost 800 years later, this inalienable human right has been compromised by the National Defense Authorization Act (NDAA), which states the President and the military can detain suspected terrorists without trial. I cannot believe we as a nation and citizenry allow this blatantly unconstitutional law to remain on the books! Therefore, I would work to nullify the NDAA within Nevada. I realize this is only symbolic.

Additionally, there are several state issues of import. I have mentioned the opportunity to reform our state tax structure. I agree any new taxes should be as broad based and as low as possible. Education funding needs to be stabilized and increased. It would be a priority for me to work on making Nevada's tax system more broad based and less regressive.

On environmental issues, I would advocate strong regulations for hydraulic fracturing (fracking) that would truly mitigate negative environmental effects such as air pollution and ground water degradation. If science finds that there is no way to do fracking without negative environmental effects, I would oppose it. We need to work harder to utilize alternative energy, and to minimize sprawl. There should be no parts of urban areas that are inaccessible by public transit.

On educational issues, we will need to train large numbers of people for the avalanche of jobs that are cascading into the state. We need to move away from a student loan model of higher education toward education that is affordable to all. Not everyone needs a bachelors or masters degree. Trade school programs of a year are sufficient to train for many of the new jobs coming our way. It is the responsibility of government to provide all of our citizens with an equal shot at a quality education.

My actions as a citizen, and as a legislator, if selected, will be guided by the following principles: Adherence to the Bill of Rights, a hand up, not a hand out, reasonable protection for the environment and the clear skies and water we treasure, and a society in which everyone contributes their fair share. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Erik Holland

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One man shows:

Nevada Historical Society, 2012-13
Duncan Little Creek Gallery, Elko, NV 2012
Co-op Gallery, Reno 2012
Co-op Gallery , Reno, 2011
Ryrie's Art and Home, 2011
Maturango Museum, Ridgecrest, CA, 2011
Nevada State Legislature, 2011
Nevada Historical Society, 2010
Co-op Gallery, Reno 2010
Truckee River Gallery 2008
Dreamers Coffee Shop and Gallery 2007
Artist's Co-op of Reno, Reno 2006
Nevada Wilderness Project, Patagonia 2005
McKinley Art Center, Reno, 2004
Nevada Wilderness Project, Patagonia, 2004
River Gallery, Reno 2003
Bristlecone Gallery, Carson City, 2002
Silver State Gallery, Reno 2001
Plate and Palette Gallery, Fairbanks AK 1994
Manualita's Gallery, San Francisco, CA 1994

Currently represented by Co-op Gallery of Reno, Ryrie's Art and Home in Reno, the Markeeville Art Gallery, Markleeville, Ca, Vigil's Collection, Nevada City, Ca, and Duncan Little Creek Gallery, Elko, NV.

Murals:

Numerous murals in Alaska, California and Nevada.

Cartoons:

Published in numerous magazines and newspapers including the Nevada Rancher, the Record Courier, Petfolio, Reno News and Review, and City Life (Las Vegas).

Teaching:

I have worked since 2003 for Sierra Arts, Very Special Arts and Rainshadow Charter High School in Reno teaching art to young people. I also teach adult classes at Very Special Arts and TMCC, and the Nevada Museum of Art in Reno.

Awards:

Best of Show, Markleeville Plein Air Event, 2014

Jackpot Grant to produce editorial cartoon book Outback Cartoonist 2012

Second Place Oils Nevada Artists Association 2008

Second Place Editorial Cartoon Class Three Nevada Press Club Awards 2007

First Place Oils Nevada Artists Association, Carson City NV 2007

Best of Show and Reno Purchase Award at Faces and Places by Sierra Arts 2006

First Place Oils Nevada Artists Association 2005

Sierra Artists Professional Grant 2002

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Dates of Residency:	From: 09-20-2006	To: Present	

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Street Name, Number	City	State	Zip Code
Dates of Residency:	From:	To:	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

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Candidate Signature

Amber Joiner
Printed Name

12-10-14
Date

Amber J. Joiner

699 Putnam Drive ♦ Reno, NV 89503 ♦ 775-338-6733 ♦ amberjoyjoiner@gmail.com

December 12, 2014

Washoe County Commission
1001 E. 9th Street, Building A
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Honorable Commissioners:

Thank you for considering my application for the vacant Assembly District 24 seat. I believe I am uniquely qualified to fill this position, as I have over a decade of experience working with the Nevada Legislature during six Legislative Sessions and have performed multiple roles in the legislative process.

I began working with the Nevada Legislature in 1997 as a Legislative Intern to the Chair of the Assembly Committee on Health & Human Services, Vivian Freeman, who at the time represented Assembly District 24. I contributed research to the development of several important policies that are still relevant today, such as the charter school system, welfare reform, and health insurance coverage. This formative experience introduced me to the complexities of the legislative process, reinforced the importance of thorough policy research, and instilled in me a passion for public service.

Today, nearly two decades later, Nevada faces serious challenges both financially and in key areas of public policy, such as education and health care. My deep understanding of legislative procedure and experience in policy analysis in these areas will minimize the learning curve and enable me to be an effective member of the Legislature on day one.

After living abroad and attending graduate school out of state, I chose to make Reno my permanent home, where my husband and I are now raising our two children. In 2004, I returned to the Legislature as a nonpartisan Senior Research Analyst and Committee Policy Analyst for the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB). While serving as the Committee Policy Analyst for the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs, I worked closely with representatives from the counties and cities to analyze legislative impacts and help craft sound public policy. Meanwhile, my experience working with the Assembly Committee on Health & Human Services cemented my personal interests in public health, health care, and safety net services.

Most recently, I served as a Deputy Director for Nevada's largest agency, the Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS). Among my duties were tracking, analyzing, and supporting legislation and budget items relating to DHHS at the

Legislature. This position was extremely valuable in my education of the State's budgeting process, not only during Session, but also during the building of the budget this past summer. No doubt, the most important issue during the 78th Legislative Session will be balancing the budget, and I believe my experience with the budgeting process will be beneficial in those discussions.

I have also served in the role of advocate in the legislative process as the Director of Government Relations for the Nevada State Medical Association. Representing health care providers at the Legislature further instilled in me an appreciation for collaboration, the value of stakeholder input, and the importance of having an open door to advocates from all sides. As I experienced, often the best policy is the product of long discussion and compromise among opposing sides. I know the importance of respecting diverse perspectives, seeking input from all stakeholders, and finding common ground, which are skills I would take with me to the Legislature.

As a native of Washoe County who has attended, served as student body President, and taught at the University of Nevada, Reno, I have a strong commitment to the residents in Assembly District 24. I also currently lead a Girl Scout troop in the District and volunteer regularly at our elementary school - experiences that have allowed me to get to know my community even better. In my role at LCB, I often assisted legislators in researching constituent concerns and responding to residents who were experiencing difficulties. It was thrilling to be able to help people find solutions to their problems. If appointed, I likewise look forward to being responsive and helpful to my neighbors in the District.

I appreciate the difficult task you have in finding the best candidate to fill this important position. I would be honored to represent Assembly District 24 and look forward to participating in your selection process. Thank you again for considering my application.

Sincerely,



Amber Joiner

Amber J. Joiner

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Education	University of Nevada <i>PhD (ABD, 2009)</i>	Reno, NV	2015 (anticipated) Political Science Major Concentration: Public Policy Minor Concentration: Public Administration Emphasis: Health Policy
	University of Maryland MA	College Park, MD	2003 Political Communication
	University of Nevada <i>BA, Magna Cum Laude</i>	Reno, NV	2000 Dual Majors: Political Science & Speech Communication Minor: Spanish
	Sichuan University USAC Study Abroad	Chengdu, China	August 1999 - May 2000 Chinese Language, Government, and Culture
	Centro Linguistico Conversa Language Academy Advanced Spanish Program	Santa Ana, Costa Rica	July 1997 - December 1997 Rotary International Cultural Ambassador

Professional Experience

Nevada's Department of Health & Human Services (DHHS)
Deputy Director January 2013 - August 2014

- ♦ Analyzed, tracked, and testified on legislation and budget items relating to DHHS during the 2013 Session of the Nevada Legislature. Worked on numerous policy topics relating to the five Divisions in DHHS: the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, the Division of Welfare and Supportive Services, the Division of Health Care Quality and Compliance (Medicaid), The Aging and Disability Services Division, and the Division for Child and Family Services. Other issues included implementation of the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid expansion, health information technology, early childhood education, and graduate medical education. Also responsible for supervising programs in the Director's Office, such as the Grants Management Unit, the Office of Food Security, the Governor's Office for Consumer Health Assistance, the IDEA Part C Office, the Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, and the Tribal Liaison.

Nevada State Medical Association (NSMA)
Director of Government Relations January 2011 - January 2013

- ♦ Directed the implementation of NSMA's legislative and policy priorities. Engaged in lobbying activities, tracked legislation, and delivered testimony at public meetings during the 2011 Session of the Nevada Legislature. Organized the activities of the NSMA political action committee, NEMPAC, and contributed to the American Medical Association's (AMA) federal lobbying efforts. Engaged in advocacy on a wide range of policy topics affecting public health and health care professionals, including: the Affordable Care Act, Medicaid and Medicare reimbursement rates, immunizations, tobacco prevention and cessation, vital statistics, and maternal and child health.

Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB)

Senior Research Analyst & Committee Policy Analyst

November 2004 - January 2011

- ♦ Served Nevada's 63 Legislators as a nonpartisan Senior Research Analyst in the LCB Research Division. Conducted both in-depth and quick-response policy research on a broad range of controversial policy topics. Gathered complex information from diverse and highly technical sources to prepare for legislators: policy briefs, position papers, statistical analyses, fact sheets, letters, speeches, press releases, PowerPoint presentations, floor statements, and bill summaries. Also testified in legislative committees to explain policy options and legislation, conducted bill tracking, and organized committee hearings and bill work sessions.
- ♦ Served as the lead staff and Committee Policy Analyst for: the Committee on Senior Citizens, Veterans, and Adults with Special Needs (2010 & 2008 Interims); the Assembly Committee on Health and Human Services (2009 Legislative Session); the Assembly Committee on Government Affairs (2007 Legislative Session & Assistant Committee Policy Analyst 2005 Legislative Session); the Subcommittee to Study Services for the Treatment and Prevention of Substance Abuse (2006 Interim); and the Assembly Committee on Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Mining (2005 Legislative Session).

Teaching Experience

University of Nevada, Reno

- ♦ Graduate Seminar, Public Communication (COM 740) Fall 2010
- ♦ Policy Issues in Health & Society (CHS 340) Fall 2009 & Spring 2010
- ♦ Public Speaking (SPCM 213 & COM 213) Spring 2001 & Fall 2004

Western Nevada College, Carson City

- ♦ American Constitutional Government (PSC 103) Spring 2010

Lane Community College, Eugene

- ♦ Forensics/Speech & Debate (SP 221) Fall 2003 & Winter 2004
- ♦ Public Speaking (SP 111) Summer 2003, Fall 2003, Winter 2004
- ♦ Introduction to Communication Studies (SP 100) Summer 2003, Fall 2003, Winter 2004

University of Maryland, College Park

- ♦ Argumentation & Debate (COMM 230) Fall 2001 - Spring 2003 (8 classes)
- ♦ Communication & Gender (COMM 324) Fall 2002
- ♦ Advanced Public Speaking (COMM 200) Summer 2002

Public & Community Service

Girl Scouts of the Sierra Nevada

- ♦ Troop Leader, Service Unit Delegate & Lifetime Member Fall 2013 - Present

Silver State Health Insurance Exchange

- ♦ Member, Consumer Assistance Advisory Committee February 2012 - Present

American Cancer Society

- ♦ Manager of Online Fundraising Campaign, Volunteer Coordinator, and Event Planner 2004 - 2006

Associated Students of the University of Nevada, Reno

- ♦ Student Body President April 1998 - April 1999
- ♦ Arts & Science Senator (elected to two terms) April 1995 - April 1997
- ♦ Editor in Chief of the Artemisia Archive September 1995 - May 1997

Amber J. Joiner

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- References**
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LETTER OF RECOMMEND

AMBER JOINER

It is my understanding Amber Joiner has expressed interest in being appointed to represent Legislative Assembly District 24, as a result of the resignation of David Bobzien. I want to express my whole hearted support for Ms. Joiner's possible appointment.

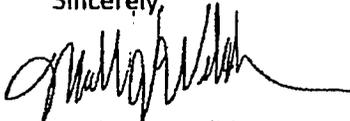
I worked with Ms. Joiner for many years during my career in the Nevada Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS). She was a Legislative Research Analyst assigned to the many health and human services issues discussed during and between Legislative sessions. She also worked for the Nevada State Medical Association and worked closely with the Department of Health and Human Services. I always found Ms. Joiner's knowledge of the Legislative processes to be helpful. Her advice and counsel was deeply valued.

I valued her knowledge of the Legislative processes and human services issues so much that I asked her to join the Department of Health and Human Services as a Deputy Director just when the 2013 legislative session was gearing up. Her duties included the task of monitoring all legislation that might impact the Department, and testifying on bills and budgets being presented by the Department. She was always dependable, knowledgable, and I believe well received by the Legislative body.

Ms. Joiner's organizational skills and ability to grasp complex issues is also something I admired. She was always had the best interest of Nevadans at heart...especially issues that impacted children.

I believe Amber Joiner would make an excellent Legislator. She would not need any time at all to come up to speed on the legislative process and would represent Assembly District 24 very well.

Sincerely,



Michael J. Willden

Former Director of DHHS

Current Chief of Staff/Governor Brian Sandoval

December 10, 2014

Washoe County Commissioners

Re: Amber Joiner for AD 24

Dear Honorable County Commissioners:

The purpose of this letter is to highly recommend Amber to you. I have known Amber for many years both in her work capacity and as a student who participated in a class I have taught at UNR for the last twelve years entitled, "Families and Public Policy"

Amber is an extremely competent and well-rounded individual. She is a natural when it comes to public policy. She is intelligent, writes and speaks very well and is very hard working and thorough. She is a very practical and fair person who looks at all sides of an issue. She is a natural leader and yet she is very collaborative and cooperative in her approach.

I think her experience at the Nevada Legislature coupled with her knowledge of how government and the private sector work uniquely prepares her for appointment to the AD 24 seat. I respectfully urge your consideration. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have questions.

Cordially,



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December 12, 2014

Dear Commission Members:

As I sat down to write this letter of strong support for Amber Joiner, I got to thinking about the UNR student leaders I have known over the years – student body presidents, to be specific – who had gone on to success in government and politics. Richard Bryan comes to mind, of course, but there are quite a few others: Frankie Sue Del Papa, for example, and Dan Klaiich, both of whom I knew well as students, and luckily treated well also since they went on to become my bosses as members of the Board of Regents. Jim Hardesty is another success story: an Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN) president who became a Supreme Court Justice (and Chief Justice). And there is Jason Geddes, who served in the Nevada State Assembly and now sits as a member (and former chair) of the NSHE Board of Regents. Jason Frierson came to the university to play football, was injured, and switched to politics, another contact sport. Jason, like all the others mentioned above, did a great job as ASUN president. He served as well in the Nevada State Assembly.

Maybe there is something about that student body leader position that speaks to the likelihood of meritorious performance in government and politics later on in life. We have another ASUN president who has already performed with distinction and is ready, and more than well-prepared, to move on to public office. That would be Amber Joiner. I met her while I was still serving as UNR president in the late 1990s and she was elected to the student Senate for two one year terms. That service was followed by election to the ASUN presidency (1998-99). She was one of those people you come across from time to time about whom you say to yourself, that young person is going places. That's exactly what Amber has done. Testimony to the truth of this observation can be found in her resume, which provides evidence of impressive leadership experience in public policy matters and a strong and varied history of work with legislative committees in Carson City. Her six-plus years of employment in the Nevada Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB) – as Senior Research Analyst and Committee Policy Analyst – is of particular note. She was a key LCB staffer for a number of important committees and subcommittees during this period. For someone seeking appointment, or election, to a seat in the Nevada State Assembly, such a rich policy background guarantees an ability to hit the ground running in Carson City,

That guarantee is strengthened by Amber's work as Deputy Director of Nevada's Health and Human Services Department and as Director of Government Relations for the Nevada State Medical Association. These public policy positions are bolstered by her educational record, her degrees from Nevada and the University of Maryland, her studies abroad in Costa Rica and China, and her current pursuit of a PhD at the Nevada campus, which includes a concluding dissertation on health policy. Along the way, she has also taught at four institutions of higher education. Finally, Amber believes in community service and has given such service in a number of ways.

It is hardly surprising, in light of the record set forth in this letter of support and in her resume, that Amber has applied for appointment as Assemblywoman representing District 24. Her qualifications speak for themselves. Her experience in relation to the requirements of service in this position is remarkable. I live in District 24 and have done so for 48 years. I would be proud and delighted to have Amber Joiner represent me and my family in Carson City, and am pleased with this opportunity to recommend her to you.

Thank you for your consideration.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joe Crowley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "J" and "C".

Joe Crowley
President Emeritus
University of Nevada, Reno

December 11, 2014

Washoe County Board of Commissioners

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Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to express my strong support for Amber Joiner to fill the vacant Assembly District 24 seat in Washoe County. As the recently retired Research Director and 30-year employee of the Legislative Counsel Bureau (LCB), I am very familiar with Amber and her many outstanding abilities relating to the Nevada Legislature.

Amber Joiner worked under my direction for over six years as a Senior Research Analyst and Committee Policy Analyst in the LCB Research Division, and she exhibited the highest level of professionalism and personal integrity during her time working with the Legislature. In her role as the lead staff and policy analyst for various standing and interim committees (ranging from Government Affairs to Health & Human Services and Natural Resources), she regularly handled some of the most complex policy issues and personalities within the Legislature. Based on that significant legislative experience, she can immediately assume the role of Assembly member and well represent the interests of the residents of Assembly District 24, Washoe County, and all Nevada.

I also know that the nonpartisan nature of her work for LCB Research has provided Amber with the ability to work with members of all political parties and citizens with diverse perspectives on public policy and state budget issues. I am very pleased and proud of the work Amber did for LCB, and I highly recommend her for your consideration in filling the Assembly District 24 vacancy.

Please feel free to contact me at 775-882-9366 if you have any questions or need additional information.

Sincerely,

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College of Education
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Educational Leadership

December 11, 2014

The Washoe County Commission
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Dear Commissioners:

It is without hesitation that I submit this letter of support for Amber Joiner, a candidate for the open seat in Assembly District 24. I have known Amber since 1995 when she was elected as a student Senator for the Associated Students of the University of Nevada (ASUN). She served two terms as Senator and then in 1998 was elected President of the ASUN. I had the privilege of being an advisor to that organization during her service. Since then I have followed her career as she has served in many capacities in northern Nevada.

Amber has strong ties to the University of Nevada, Reno, which is in District 24, and I can't think of anyone who could better serve the constituents of this district. Amber cares about the university, its faculty, staff and students. With many of the students and faculty living in District 24 neighborhoods immediately surrounding the university, her experience as an undergraduate student leader, a doctoral student and as an instructor will serve her well as she works to represent them.

Amber has an incredible positive energy and a strong work ethic. In addition, she is a person of utmost integrity and is very approachable. With these attributes and her experience with the Nevada legislature, she is an excellent choice for Assembly District 24. I strongly encourage you to appoint Amber Joiner in this capacity.

Sincerely,

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HUMAN RESOURCES

December 15, 2014

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Re: Application for District 24 Assembly

Dear County Commissioners,

With this letter, I wish to apply for the Nevada Assembly, District 24. I have long been interested in participating in the legislature and feel that I have the background and ability to be an effective representative of the District.

I have been a resident of District 24 for 36 years, since the late 70's and early 80's of Assemblyman Paul Prengaman (R) and Todd Bedrosian (D), both of whom I knew well. I have been a Democrat since about 1985, and was a Republican prior to that time. I been married for 42 years, and we raised three daughters all who were educated in the Washoe County School District. I was born in farm country in Northeastern Montana, but moved to southern California where I went to high school, and graduated from UC Santa Barbara (chemistry major) and then on to UC Davis (Ph.D. in agricultural chemistry). I have been active in a variety of community affairs, including the PTA when our children were in school, the Reno Charter Commission in the 1990's, and have worked with the County and City of Reno staff on various issues related to public health over the years. I have also served on several national panels, from EPA competitive grant review panels to National Academy of Science discussions on a variety of environmental and public health topics. I have had international experience working on mining industry supported committees, including the UNEP Cyanide Code Committee and the project on "Mining, Minerals and Sustainable Development" between 2000 and 2002.

Since I arrived in Reno, I have been employed as a faculty member at UNR, in the College of Agriculture, Biotechnology and Natural Resources in various departments as the College has been reorganized. My duties have been divided between teaching, research and public service. My teaching responsibilities have focused on courses in environmental toxicology, measurement and fate of chemicals in the environment, and several special topics courses on a variety of chemical and environmental issues of importance to public health, agriculture and mining. Since about 1996, I have directed the interdisciplinary graduate program in Environmental Sciences and Health for about 15 years, in two stints. I recently stepped down as director, which will become effective on Dec. 31 of this year.

My research activity has covered a wide range of topics, from the measurement and transformation of agricultural chemicals, to the development of a biological system to

treat contaminated mine water. The system we designed is still operating at the Leviathan Mine in Alpine County, California, and I remain proud of that effective system. We have also done major projects at Lake Tahoe, including examination of the impact of two-cycle engine emissions on Lake Tahoe, as well as the effect of road runoff on phosphorus release into Lake Tahoe. We are presently funded on a project by Newmont Mining Corporation for reduction of conflict in mine projects, entitled "Development of Good Neighbor Agreements". We are also funded by the US Department of Agriculture on a 4-year research grant to investigate biofuel production from arid land plants native to Nevada.

From a business perspective, I have helped establish two environmental laboratories in Reno. The first was Alpha Analytical, in 1986, and the second was Nevada Environmental Laboratory in 1990, of which I was a co-owner. This business had over 45 employees in two states, and measured the concentration of a wide range of chemicals in environmental systems (soil, water air, etc.) I sold my portion of the laboratory to my partner in 1998. I also took a leave of absence from UNR for a year in 2008-2009 to work at an agricultural chemicals company, Valent USA, which was a subsidiary of Sumitomo Chemical, based in Japan. I was the manager of the environmental chemistry group, which focused on how the Sumitomo agricultural products were transported and transformed in the environment. Both of these experiences sharpened my respect for business ventures, and the challenges facing large and small companies.

Nevada Legislative Experience

I have been interested and active in the Nevada Legislature for over 30 years. I have walked precincts for all of the democratic candidates (and a couple of republicans, Paul Prengaman and Jason Geddes), and gotten to know each of them quite well, and also became familiar with District 24.

I was very active in the development of two important pieces of legislation in the past 25 years. The first was the Mining Reclamation Legislation, which was introduced by Assemblywoman Vivian Freeman in 1989 based on a memorandum that I developed with her. While this legislation was highly controversial at the time, the legislation, which passed at the very end of the session, was the basis for the development of mining reclamation regulations by the NDEP, which I still consider the best in the US. Nevada's mining industry now accepts the regulations as necessary for public acceptance of mining, and this set of regulations is now a model for regulations throughout the world. The second legislation was the Nevada recycling legislation, passed in 1991, and based on a draft that a UNR class of mine developed in 1990. While this legislation was changed in several important aspects during the session, the core aspect of the recycling draft that was introduced by Assemblywoman Freeman is still evident in the current law. I also participated in legislative discussions during the last session on the utilization of mining pit lakes in Nevada. Our state will have more water in pit lakes than in all the man-made lakes completely within Nevada when the pits fill. We argued that safe access to pit lakes is important for long term recreational use, and should be required, particularly for public land access following completion of mining and ultimate closure. I have also been at legislative hearings and testified

during most of the sessions on various bills affecting higher education, public health or the environment.

Finally, I have been chair of the Nevada Faculty Alliance (NFA), and chair of the NFA PAC for several years. The NFA is an advocacy organization for faculty in the Nevada System of Higher Education, and has worked closely with representatives of various units of the NSHE (e.g. UNR, UNLV and the community colleges) for support of higher education in Nevada. I have come to know many legislators and issues surrounding being a legislator.

I would be honored to be in the Assembly, and would take a leave of absence from the University for a semester during the session. I am 64 and plan on retiring from UNR in about three years, which coincides with the end of the USDA grant for which I am the principle investigator. The eight graduate students that I have in my research group are all in an advanced state of their studies and can function well as a group with limited direction from me for the semester that I would be gone.

While I have a great interest in being appointed to the Nevada Assembly from District 24, I realize that I have much to learn, but could contribute substantially to the discussion in the legislature, particularly on education, public health and the environment. I also realize that the budget is the most important work of the legislature. I would look to Governor Sandoval for providing leadership on tax policy, and will argue that the tax should be broad based, but not overly regressive. Increases for all levels of education is critically important for moving Nevada forward. As we look to the new initiatives of Tesla construction, drones, and further diversification of the economy, each of these will require a well trained and educated work force that can make these businesses successful and provide diverse and well-paying jobs for Nevadans.

I appreciate your consideration of this application, and ask for your support. I will represent District 24 fully, and am looking forward to working with the Washoe County Commission, the School District and the cities of Reno and Sparks.

Sincerely,



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Born November 17, 1950

Education: University of California, Santa Barbara, CA B.S. Chemistry 1972
University of California, Davis, CA Ph.D. Agricultural Chemistry 1977

Employment:

Univ. of Nevada, Reno	Aug-2009-present	Professor, and Director of the Graduate Program in Environmental Sciences
	2008-2009	On leave for 11 months serving as Manager, Environmental Exposure Assessment, Valent USA Corporation, Walnut Creek CA
	2007-2008, 2010-2012	President UNR Nevada Faculty Alliance
	1995-2006	Director, Graduate Program in Environmental Sciences and Health
	1998-2004	Director, Center for Environmental Science and Engineering
	1989-	Professor
	1983-89	Associate Professor
	1979-83	Assistant Professor
	1978-79	Lecturer
Environmental Protection Agency	1977-78	Research Chemist

Professional Societies:

American Chemical Society, Agrochemicals Division and Environmental Division
American Association for the Advancement of Science
Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry
Sigma Xi

Awards:

Thornton Peace Prize (1982)
Junior Faculty Research Award (1982)
UNR Foundation Professor (1991)
Conservationist of the Year, Nevada Wildlife Federation (1995)
College of Agriculture Researcher of the Year (1998)
Friend of the Lake Award, League to Save Lake Tahoe (2001)

Other Professional Activities

Environmental Protection Agency: Competitive Grants Review Panel 1985-1995
Environmental Protection Agency: Advisory Committee on Mining Waste 1991-1993
Environmental Protection Agency Committee on Management of Mercury Stores in the U.S. 2007
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection: Technical Advisory Committee on the Carson River Superfund Site 1991-1994
American Chemical Society, Division of Environmental Chemistry: Chair of the Student Awards Committee 1988-1992
American Chemical Society, Division of Environmental Chemistry: Chair of the Awards Committee 1997-2002
United Nations Environmental Program Committee for Development of a Code for Use of Cyanide in Mining: 2000-2002
Mining, Minerals and Sustainable Development, Assurance Group Committee Vice-Chair, 2000-2002
National Research Council committee on Methyl Bromide: 1999-2001
National Research Council committee on Mining Technology: 2000-2002
National Research Council committee on USGS Mineral Resources Program, 2000-2003

UNR Environmental Studies Board: Chairman 1987-1991
Consultant to various public interest organizations, companies and law firms
Hydrology/Hydrogeology Graduate Faculty: Member 1989-present
Reviewer for numerous environmental chemistry journals
Co-owner and vice-president: Nevada Environmental Laboratories (Las Vegas and Reno) 1990-1999
Manager, Environmental Exposure Assessment, Valent USA Corporation 8/2008- 8/2009

Courses Taught

Humans and the Environment: Environment 100
Environmental Toxicology: NRES 432/632
Environmental Chemicals: Exposure, Transport and Fate: NRES 433/633
Analysis of Environmental Contaminants: NRES 430/630
Risk Assessment, NRES 793C
Global and Regional Issues in Environmental Science: NRES 467/667

Community and Conservation Service Activities

City of Reno, Charter Review Commission: Chairman 1990-93
Peavine Grade School PTA: Co-President 1990-1992
Sierra Club Mining Committee (national): Co-Chair 1989-1992
League to Save Lake Tahoe Board of Directors: 1986-1999
Mountain and Desert Research Fund: 1987-present
Dupont-Conoco Environmental Leadership Award in Mining Committee: 1989-1994
Nevada Interagency Reclamation Award Committee: 1990-1992
Washoe County School District Science Advisory Board: 1992-2000
Chairman, 1993-94
Earthworks: Board Member 1999-present
Tahoe Baikal Institute: Board Member 1998-present, Chair 2002-2003
Environmental Law Alliance Worldwide Board Member: 2000-present, Chair:2009
Great Basin Mine Watch: Board Member 1994-present, Chair 2001-2006

Center for Science in Public Participation: Board Member 1998-present
Great Basin Institute, Board Member 2000-present, Chair 2001-present

Research Interests: Remediation of mine waste contamination. Mining pit lake water quality. Fate and transport of organic compounds in soils and the atmosphere. Methods of remediation of gasoline contaminated soils; Photochemical transformation of organic contaminants on soil surfaces. Instrumental development of chromatographic systems. Development of arid lands biofuels

Representative Grants Received, 2002-present.

\$190,500 "Mercury Deposition Associated with Mining, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 2002-2004

\$53,000 Passivation of Acid Generating Rock at the Golden Sunlight Mine, Placer Dome Corporation
2002-2003

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\$104,000 Development of a Good Neighbor Agreement for Mining, Newmont Mining Corporation 2012-2014

\$499,000 Biofuels and Bioproducts from Arid Lands Plants, US Department of Agriculture. P.I. 2013-2017

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Washoe County Commissioners
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Dear Commissioners,

You may or may not recognize my name, but some of you know my face. Since the 2008 Washoe County Democratic Caucuses, people have been asking when I was going to run for office. At the State Caucus I was very inspired to take this path, and let others know. So although I do not typically prompt this question, it seems to be spontaneous reaction to my overtly obvious and passionate commitment to my community, my state, and my family. I have been planning to run for David Bobzien's seat in the next election cycle, so the recent developments have just sped up the process!

Unique qualities that I bring to the table include a high degree of integrity, compassion and passion, realistic expectations, creative problem solving on all levels, and experience in bridge-building among community groups. I have worked very hard to see to it that groups who have not formerly engaged in dialogue come together for common goals, for example leading by example in connection the Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental disabilities with the Human Services Network in Reno. As an NGCDD member, I just took it upon myself to attend HSN meetings, which led to the collaborative and working relationship that exists between them today. Please also take note of my contributions to the NGCDD during my time of service, which you will see attached to my application materials.

Many letters of support should be arriving in your inboxes by this Friday, December 19. As everyone is busy at this time of year, some of my peers, associates and cohorts were unable to produce letters sooner, so please be expecting these. As you will see from my letters of support and resume, much of my attention over the last 27 years has been in the direction of development disabilities and health care in general. Yet I am not so one-dimensional. As an avid outdoor enthusiast, I cherish our state's natural beauty, recreational resources and environmental diversity. With a Bachelor's Degree in Agriculture, I understand the challenges of ranchers, miners, public land managers, law enforcement, public safety and – most notably – water resources. As a former business owner and long-term resident of Northern Nevada, I understand the importance of financial stability, tax reforms and economic development not just in Assembly District 24, but also throughout the state. To address these issues, I also understand the critical importance of adequate housing, healthcare, food security and education (starting with our youngest and continuing into the adult years, as well as building a large talent pool to serve existing and potential private-sector business endeavors.

Thus, to prepare for my eventual run for the State I have self-funded graduate studies in political science with an emphasis is public policy. This and my long history of community involvement and political advocacy have prepared me to walk onto that Legislative floor ready to take on the 2015 session, despite missing the November-December orientation for new legislators. None of the political territory in Carson is foreign to me and I am both familiar and comfortable in that environment.

So where have I been and why have you not seen my name yet? My biggest barrier to running earlier has been care for my medically involved adult daughter - a situation very earnestly presented in an email you should have already received from my great niece. This past year, my spouse Erik Schoen and I managed some personal advocacy that resulted in nursing care in the home and the subsequent freedom from 24/7 caregiving. For me, this means the newfound ability to share my time talents in the public realm, as I have always wanted to do. As a family, this is the right time for me to step up to the plate and take action.

Living close to the exciting Mid-town resurgence, I have witnessed first hand what enthusiasm, hard work, inter-connectedness, relationships, and common vision can do for an area. I would like to take these same values to Carson City to continue the work of people in my immediate neighborhood and also to the people of this great State: Nevada. Home Means Nevada for me. Nevada is my home.

I am not a former state bureaucrat or administrator. I am not related to anyone powerful in this State. I am intelligent, dedicated and hardworking. I will bring fresh and original ideas to the table. I believe that if you always do what you've always done, you will always get the same result. It's time for some new ideas to take Nevada to the top of the good lists! I hope you give me that chance.

Lastly, thank to all for your public service. I do not envy your task. Certainly there are several qualified candidates and I know that your choice will be a good one.

Sincerely,

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Personal Attributes

- Bridge-builder and seeker of common ground
- Creative problem solver using combined attention to detail and broader vision
- Person of Action, assertive when necessary
- Willing to take on the difficult tasks
- Nevada Resident since 1966, most of this in Southwest Reno Assembly Districts 24 and 27, attending all local schools – Hunter Lake, Swope, Reno High
- Attention to data and detail, prefer evidenced-based choices when available
- Excellent steward of natural and fiscal resources – personally, professionally and publically

Education, Credentials, Affiliations and Specialized Training

- **Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy, 1995, University of Puget Sound**
- **Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, 1984, University of Nevada-Reno, emphasis in Renewable Natural Resource Management**
- **Graduate Student in Political Science, University Of Nevada Reno, emphasis in public policy, anticipated graduation with thesis completion Fall 2015.**
- Bridges out of Poverty Training, 2014, sponsored by the Human Services Network
- Graduate (1998) and on-going advocate, Nevada Partners in Policymaking
- Disability Policy Seminar, Washington D.C.
 - 2012, as representative of Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities will Hill visits for topical advocacy.
 - 2014 as concerned citizen, with Hill visit to Harry Reid to discuss ACA impacts on persons with disabilities, specifically essential health benefits provisions.
- NBCOT registered occupational therapist, 1996 – present
- State of Nevada Board of Occupational Therapy license #0253, 1996 - present; previously licensed in OR and WA states
- Trained in Medical Home model of health care from American Pediatrics Association
- American Occupational Therapy Association, member for over 10 years

Community Involvement and Volunteer Experience

- Appointed to 3 terms on Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, January 2006-September 2012:
 - Chair of the Evaluation Committee. Responsibilities included State 5-year plan development, policy revisions/re-write, evaluation of grant proposals, and leading good stewardship efforts of available funds.
 - Legislative Committee. Responsibilities included review of BDRs, leading and participating in committee discussions regarding issues, legislative presence, and giving written and live testimony.
- Administration on Developmental Disabilities Envisioning the Future Summit Series: selected as testimonial speaker at the Denver Listening Sessions, December 6, 2010 .
- Nevada Advisory Council on Children with Special Health Care Needs, 2 years, one as chair
- Washoe County Special Education Advisory Team (SEAT), charter member
- Global Voice – assisting youth from rural Nevada to participate in service learning projects in other countries

- Nevada Occupational Therapy Association, former member and Northern District Chair
- Parent to Parent International Conference in Philadelphia, selected as break-out session speaker
- Co-presenter, Chronic Grief in Special Needs Parenting, American Counseling Association pre-conference institute
- Life-time member of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church (Reno, Assembly District 24)
- Host and volunteer at Good Shepherd Church for Family Promise (former non-profit serving homeless families)
- Search and Rescue, University of Nevada Reno, 1979-1981, former President, under formal collaboration with Washoe County Search and Rescue
- Washoe County Parks Department, Rancho San Rafael, volunteer garden assistant
- Reno Downtown Youth Advisory Council, 1970's. The mission was to improve age-appropriate activities in downtown Reno for youth aged 12-18 years and give them a space to be youth.

Health Care Experience

- Occupational Therapist, per diem, Saint Mary's Home Care, June 20, 2011- present
- Founder, owner and President of Creative Disability Solutions, Inc., 2002-2011
 - Contracted OTR/L for group homes, State of NV, City of Reno, and private clients.
 - OT consultant, educator, trainer, and advocate for NGOs, non-profits and individuals
 - Organized and sponsored continuing education events for therapists, counselors and teachers
 - Trained over 200 volunteers in topics related to caring for special populations.
- Supervisor, In-patient Rehab Therapy Services, Washoe Medical-South Meadows, Jan.-Aug. 2006
 - Successfully retained staff through accreditation process and controversial corporate re-branding
 - Located and organized durable medical equipment at a zero-cost to facility
 - Served on Quality Assurance Team.
 - Provided skilled OT services to in-patient orthopedic, bariatric, general surgical and ICU patients
- Senior Occupational Therapist, State of Nevada Sierra Regional Center, Feb. 1998-Oct. 2002.
 - Managed revolving case load up to 68 individuals, assisting in transition of residents to community homes
 - Supervised O.T. student for mental health internship
- Per Diem, travelling, staff, registry, and consultant OT, various positions, 1996-2011, concurrently with other positions:
 - Portland Adventist Hospital, Peak Staffing, and Garlington Out-Patient Mental Health Center, Portland Oregon
 - No. NV Medical Center Rehab, Tahoe Pacific Hospital, Renown Regional Medical Center, Regent Care, Wismer Therapy Services.
 - Consultant O.T. to Eureka County School District school years 1996-1998.
- Occupational Therapy Aide August 1992-April 1993, Life Care Center of Reno
- Medical Informatics Assistant, University of NV School of Medicine, Aug. 1991-Aug. 1992
 - Nevada Medicaid Peer Reviews for brain and spinal cord injury cases to determine out-of state rehabilitation approval.
- Prior to 1991: Medical billing, health insurance claims processing, surgery unit coordinator, private-practice front office, ski patrol, first responder.

Natural Resources Experience, 1979-1987

- U. S. Forest service, 3 seasons as firefighter, recreation aid, law enforcement and backcountry patrol in the Toiyabe National Forest, Carson Front.
- Environmental Educator for Barbara Miller, elementary teacher in Reno
- Washoe County Parks Department, Bower's Mansion park aide
- State of Nevada Department of Parks and Recreation, Lahontan State park aide.

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July 28, 2011

Dear Governor Sandoval,

As the proud parent of a beautiful 24 year old daughter with multiple and profound developmental disabilities (including blindness, and a label as “medically fragile”), as an experienced occupational therapist and a graduate of the Nevada Partners in Policymaking program, I am seeking re-appointment to a third term on the Governor’s Council on Developmental Disabilities. Here are the reasons I would be honored to continue to serve on this council:

1. I have served diligently for the past 6 years and feel that my contributions have been significant
2. My accomplishments include:
 - a. Suggesting a legislative committee and then serving on that committee for 2 years.
 - b. Bringing the Regional Center to the table (SRC and the DD Council were not familiar with each other, and one did not know the other existed)
 - c. Serving as Chair of the Planning and Evaluation Committee in the past 18 months, working successfully on the next 5-year State Plan, and preparing to review later this summer the grant proposals related to that plan.
 - d. Encouraging greater accommodation before, during, and after the meetings for those members with intellectual disabilities
 - e. Introducing the concept of utilizing faith-based organizations as part of the overall support system for people with developmental disabilities.
3. I fill a federally mandated demographic on the council – my daughter lived in a nursing home in Reno from 1990 (age 3) to 1998 (age 11), when the nursing home closed. I now care for my daughter at home and am proud to say she has thrived since returning to the family environment.
4. My family and I provide 24/7 care and have creatively (but legally) used resources to make this be a positive situation for all of us. The care includes lots of nursing. Others benefit from our experience in utilizing a complicated web of resources.
5. The medically-involved sub-set of people with developmental disabilities who cannot speak for themselves is under-represented on the DD Council.
6. I worked for almost 5 years at Sierra Regional Center as the Senior Occupational Therapist, treating up to 68 residents aging from age 5 to 65 with developmental disabilities before we began to place them into less restrictive environments.
7. My occupational therapy experience also includes physical rehab, mental health, in-patient acute care, sensory processing and Autism, private practice consulting, community education/training,

adjunct faculty work at my Alma Matter, home health, and private practice in rural Nevada schools. I am well versed as to the needs of people with all types of disabling conditions.

8. My spouse of 13 years also has a birth-onset developmental condition – profound hearing loss as the result of a rare form of dwarfism.
9. I have a long history of volunteer/community service in the State of Nevada.
10. I have been a resident of Northern Nevada since 1964, attending local public schools and UNR.
11. Knowledge and experience can be of utmost value to the Council. I have spent an enormous amount of time serving on this Council and learning the ins & outs of what we are allowed, not allowed and supposed to be doing, and hope to apply my experience for a final term.

The learning curve for this council is quite steep. I feel that I am finally getting a grip on how to blend the federal guidelines and mandates with how our State operates, and how the council can be an agent for meaningful change. My personal goal is for the Council to continue to evolve into a pro-active, community-minded, inclusive entity. I firmly believe this sensibility and my devotion to the mission of the Council makes me a strong, creative-thinking, and fully-engaged member. I am enthusiastic about my last 3 years being highly productive and want to leave things better than I found them six years ago.

I hope that you will view my history and accomplishments as worthy of re-appointment.

 Sincerely,

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Resume
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 - OT consultant, educator, trainer , case manager and advocate for variety of clients including Government agencies, NGOs, non-profits and individuals
 - Co-facilitator for professional-level Pre-Conference Learning Institute, ACA Annual Conference, New Orleans
 - Organized and sponsored two-day event to host internationally known expert on Sensory Processing
 - Trained over 200 volunteers in topics related to caring for special populations in recreational settings
- Supervisor, In-patient Rehab Therapy Services, Washoe Medical-South Meadows, Jan.-Aug. 2006
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 - Oregon – 1996 – Portland Adventist, Peak Staffing, and Garlington Out-Patient Mental Health Center
 - Northern NV Medical Center Rehab, Tahoe Pacific Hospital, and Renown Regional Medical Center
 - Wismer Therapy Services
 - Eureka County School District
- Medical Informatics Assistant, University of NV School of Medicine, Aug. 1991-Aug. 1992
 - Assist to a blind physician for facility evaluations & chart reviews of brain injury rehab case files

Community Involvement and Volunteer Experience

- Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities, 7 years,
 - Chair of Evaluation Committee; developed 5 year State Plan
 - Selected as delegate to ADA listening session in Denver, 2010
 - Member of Executive and Legislative Committees
- Nevada Advisory Council on Children with Special Health Care Needs, 2 years, one as chair
- Washoe County Special Education Advisory Team (SEAT), charter member
- Global Voice, chaperone to Mexico with youth participating in service learning project
- Northern District Chair for Nevada Occupational Therapy Association
- Selected as break-out session speaker at Parent to Parent International Conference in Philadelphia
- Instructor for Nevada Partners in Policymaking: History of Disability, and Seating and Positioning segments

Education, Credentials and Specialized Training

- Bachelor of Science in Occupational Therapy, 1995, University of Puget Sound
- Bachelor of Science in Agriculture, 1985, University of Nevada-Reno
- NBCOT registered occupational therapist, 1996 - present
- State of Nevada occupational therapy license #0253, 1996 - present; previously licensed in OR and WA states
- 1998 Partners in Policy Making graduate, a training for parents of children with disabilities
- Trained in Medical Home model of health care from American Pediatrics Association
- Basic Spanish, enough to communicate with patients and be understood.

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**Declaration of Residency for Office of
State Senator, Assemblyman or Assemblywoman**

I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I have been a citizen resident of this state as required by NRS 218A.200 and have actually, as opposed to constructively, resided at the following residence or residences since November 1 of the preceding year.

25 Sunnycrest Dr. Street Name, Number	Reno City	NV State	89503 Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: Jan. 2013		To: Present	

6036 Plumas St., #B Street Name, Number	Reno City	NV State	89519 Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: Nov. 2011		To: Jan. 2013	

25 Sunnycrest Dr. Street Name, Number	Reno City	NV State	89503 Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: Oct. 2001		To: July 2011	

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

X Bradley Summerhill
Candidate Signature

Bradley Summerhill Printed Name	Dec. 11, 2014 Date
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December 14, 2014

Washoe County Commission
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Re: Assembly 24 Vacancy

Dear Commissioners,

Winston Churchill said that there comes a special moment in everyone's life, "a mission for which he is uniquely qualified." I had thought this moment might come for me in the 2016 election cycle. Instead, it comes now. In that spirit, please consider my unique qualifications to represent the citizens of Nevada's Assembly District 24.

I am a moderate Democrat strongly supportive of funding and reforming education, advancing green energy and the jobs it can create and dedicated to the proposition that Nevada must finally undertake common sense tax reform that will result in a fair, stable and transparent revenue system suited to our 21st century needs and economy. After decades of well-intentioned studies, Nevada's tax structure is now a patchwork of taxes, fees, exemptions and exceptions that no longer effectively serves the needs of our taxpayers or the institutions of government. I am also concerned about the relationship between the state government and municipalities in allocating the responsibilities to fund and deliver essential services. I oppose wasteful spending but believe, as decades of studies conducted on Nevada's tax structure have confirmed, that our piecemeal approach to taxation must be addressed responsibly. I understand that Governor Sandoval intends to propose common sense tax reforms to the next Legislature, and he will need reasonable allies from the moderate center of Nevada's ideological divide to succeed in that effort.

As you may know, the skills gap in Nevada's education system threatens our future: an estimated 58 percent of jobs in Nevada by the year 2020 will require a career certificate or higher degree while currently only 28 percent of Nevadans meet that qualification. Shifting our economy and economic development strategies toward high tech industries and jobs is essential, but where will our future workers come from when only 36.7 percent of Nevada's

eighth graders are proficient in math? Funding our K-12 and higher education system as an essential investment for Nevada's future by way of a predictable, fair and transparent tax system that does not unfairly target any single employer or industry is necessary. Do we want Tesla and other companies to import workers from outside the Silver State, or are we dedicated to the proposition that qualified Nevadans fill these new jobs?

I am a proud graduate of three Washoe County schools: Anderson Elementary, Swope Middle and Reno High School. I know that our school system has been in the past and must be in the future capable of educating all students and producing the best and the brightest. We cannot, however, merely hope that it is so and continue to limp along with an unstable tax structure that injects uncertainty into every budget in each biennium. As student body president of Reno High School, I touted the fact that Vice President George H. W. Bush recognized RHS as a top ten public institution during an appearance at our school. Unfortunately, despite exceptional ongoing efforts in our schools and outstanding public charter institutions like the Davidson Academy (which my daughter attends), Nevada remains at the bottom of nearly every meaningful list regarding education. Our current standing should be unacceptable to all responsible Nevadans regardless of party affiliation. I know we can do better. Much of the work that must be done to achieve meaningful results will take place in the Assembly and therefore I would ask that I be given the opportunity to serve our community as a member of this body.

I believe that Nevada can make real progress by integrating green energy efforts into our non-profit and public housing sectors without onerous government regulations, complementing these projects with forward looking industrial and technology development.

As a community college professor who has tackled policy issues throughout my career, I understand the complex relationships that exist between Nevada's K-12 and higher education system. I gained de facto legislative experience in the last session as the Nevada System of Higher Education sought to fundamentally rework its funding formula. In my role as faculty senate chair and later as the so-called chair of chairs (meaning that I represented the interests of faculty statewide), I was involved in this legislation from conception to enactment and feel good about my positive contribution to this collaborative effort.

My first job after graduating from the University of Virginia was an appointment to the Capitol Hill staff of US Senator Richard Bryan, an accomplished legislator at both the state and federal level, as well as a former Governor. He took the time to introduce me to public service. He also illustrated to me the benefits of collaboration, negotiation and compromise. These lessons were valuable as I contributed to the SB 374 ad hoc committee to address higher education funding. In my view, the legislative process shares a common principle with academic policy development: never let the perfect become enemy of the good. I kept this notion in mind while serving as a voting member of the Performance Pool Task Force subcommittee alongside legislators and gubernatorial appointees as we developed the new outcomes-based funding formula.

The 21st century has been unkind to our nation's great tradition of public education. Even though we in Nevada face an enormous skills gap, especially among our disadvantaged populations, the fact is that public support for education and other public institutions has been uncertain at times. A comprehensive assessment based on facts should allow for rational decisions and positive outcomes for our students. I will advance those ideas that recognize the realities of changing circumstances.

NSHE Chancellor Dan Klaich and TMCC President Dr. Maria Sheehan endorse my application for the Assembly 24 seat and I believe I can garner a broad coalition of supporters from my district where I have lived for many years. I wanted to mention these two in particular to illustrate how those who have worked with me on complex issues trust my judgment. It is such trust that allows me to currently serve as a member of the state higher education retirement system advisory committee with fiduciary responsibility and investment oversight of a multi-billion dollar system.

I have taken the initiative to study the "New Legislator Orientation" as posted on the Nevada Legislature's web site. It is critical that the hectic pace of Nevada's biennial process not intimidate the new District 24 representative. I understand the limitations of a freshman legislator replacing a term-limited veteran. However, I also understand the committee process where it is possible to make positive contributions by soliciting expert testimony and offering amendments.

I am a proud father of a daughter, 14. I am 45 years old. We are members of Reno's Good Shepherd Lutheran Church. I study two forms of martial arts and play in an outdoor soccer league. I love music, literature, history and Nevada's endless recreational opportunities. I purchased my home in Reno's Old Northwest in District 24 in late 2001 (although it was then District 25, as I recall).

In conclusion, I commend your efforts to fill this vacancy in unusual circumstances and at a critical time for the future of our community and our state. Education, green energy and common sense tax reform are my specific areas of focus, but I realize that unexpected issues will also demand attention. I am a moderate Democrat who is committed to working with the Governor and all legislators in the interest of the common good. I look forward to the opportunity to represent my fellow citizens of Assembly District 24. I believe that my experience demonstrates my qualifications to serve the needs of my District, our community and the State of Nevada. If selected, I will be truly honored to serve.

Sincerely,


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Work Experience

Community College Professor, English Department 2001 to present
Truckee Meadows Community College (TMCC), Reno, Nev. *Tenured 2007*

Member 2013 to present
Nevada System of Higher Education, Retirement Plan Advisory Committee
*Fiduciary responsibility and investment oversight of multi-billion dollar retirement system;
Implementation of single vendor record keeper system, overseeing major transition of legacy
funds to new investment lineup*

Chair of Faculty Senate Chairs, Nevada System of Higher Education 2012-13
*Quarterly and special reports to Board of Regents of Nevada System of Higher Education;
Statement to Joint Finance Committee, Nevada State Legislature, 2013;
Testimony to Committee to Study the Funding of Higher Education (SB 374), 2012*

Performance Pool Task Force, SB 374 Subcommittee 2013
*Served with legislative and gubernatorial appointees to establish performance element
of new higher education funding formula for the Nevada System of Higher Education*

Chair and Chair-elect of Faculty Senate, Truckee Meadows Comm College 2009-13
*Beyond regular duties of college governance and Foundation board membership, oversaw redrafting of
NSHE Procedures and Guidelines, Chapter 3 Salary Schedules, fundamentally restructuring faculty
salary schedules and merit procedures for two-year institutions; oversaw subsequent implementation of
statewide salary equity study*

Adjunct Faculty, English Department, University of Nevada, Reno, Nev. 2002

Lecturer, English Department, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark. 2001

Assistant to Director of Composition Programs, Graduate Assistant 1996-01
English Department, University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark.
Tutor, Transition-Retention Minority Engineering Program, 1999.

Staff Writer, *Nevada Weekly* and *Reno News & Review*, Reno, Nev. 1994-96

Senior Editor, National Office for Social Responsibility, Alexandria, Va. 1993

Office Staff, US Senator Bryan, D-NV, Washington, DC 1992-93

Education

Master of Fine Arts, Creative Writing University of Arkansas, Fayetteville, Ark.	2000
Bachelor of Arts, English Language and Literature <i>with Highest Distinction</i> University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.	1992
Reno High School, Swope Middle School, Anderson Elementary School	1976 to 1988

Selected Honors

Model Dairy Faculty Excellence in Service Award, TMCC	2013
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Selected Publications

Novel <i>Gambler's Quartet</i> (Virginia Avenue Press) <i>Re-issued in Kindle e-edition, 2014</i>	2010
Short stories <i>The Nevada Review, Red Rock Review, Clackamas Literary Review, South Dakota Review, Exposure, Aethlon, elsewhere</i>	1999-2012
Nonfiction <i>Reno Gazette-Journal, Sierra Outdoors, EdgingWest, Another Chicago Magazine, The Missouri Review, Chess, elsewhere</i>	1994-2005

Community Service

Lecturer, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, Univ or Nevada, Reno	2013-14
Volunteer, Peavine/Gomm Elementary, Reno, Nev.	2006-12
Tumblewords, cultural literacy program of Nevada Arts Council	2005-2010
Text-on-Tape Reader, TMCC	2003-04
Arkansas Writers In The Schools	1996-00
Program Director and Big Brother, Charlottesville, Va.	1989-92

Memberships *current*

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Reno, Nev.
Nevada Faculty Alliance

References *will be promptly provided upon request*



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ASSEMBLY DISTRICT 24 WASHOE COUNTY

This recruitment is being conducted to fill a vacancy in Assembly District 24, Washoe County. Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 218A.260) the Washoe County Board of County Commissioners shall appoint a person to fill the vacancy until the first Monday in January after the next ensuing biennial election.

DUTIES

Serve as a legislator in the Nevada State Assembly.

QUALIFICATIONS

Pursuant to Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS 218A.260(2)), if the former Legislator was elected or appointed from a district wholly within one county, the Board of County Commissioners of the county in which the district is located shall fill the vacancy by appointing a person who is a member of the same political party as the former Legislator (Democrat) and who actually, as opposed to constructively, resides in the district. Pursuant to NRS 218A.202 an applicant must be: a qualified elector; an actual, as opposed to constructive, citizen resident of Nevada for 1 year; and at least 21 years of age.

APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCESS

To be considered, please forward a compelling cover letter, a comprehensive resume, and a completed Affidavit of Residency (form attached) by the closing date of Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 5:00 PM. Electronic submittals will also be accepted but must be received by the 5 PM deadline on December 16, 2014. Application material will be screened by Human Resources and the Registrar of Voters for the minimum qualifications. The applications of all those qualified will be presented to individual County Commissioners on Wednesday, December 17, 2014. The final interview and selection process is expected to take place on Tuesday, December 30, 2014, at a special meeting convened by the Board of County Commissioners. It is important to note that this selection process will be in accordance with Nevada's Open Meeting/Public Records Law. All submitted materials will be considered a public record upon receipt and posting by the County Clerk.

FILING DEADLINE: All applications must be actually received (as opposed to postmarked) by 5:00 PM on Tuesday, December 16, 2014.

SUBMIT TO:

Kathy Hart
Workforce Development Manager
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1001 E. 9th Street
Reno, Nevada 89520

OR via email at khart@washoecounty.us

WASHOE COUNTY DOES NOT DISCRIMINATE ON THE BASIS OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY OR EXPRESSION, AGE, DISABILITY OR NATIONAL ORIGIN IN THE ACTIVITIES AND/OR SERVICES WHICH IT PROVIDES. EOE

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Brown Street, 695
Street Name, Number
Reno
City
NV 89509
State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: December 2012 To: Present

Street Name, Number
City
State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: To:

Street Name, Number
City
State Zip Code
Dates of Residency: From: To:

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

X
Candidate Signature

Matthew Tuma
Printed Name

December 15, 2014
Date

MATTHEW TUMA

695 Brown Street ■ Reno, NV ■ 775-233-9885 ■ Matthew.Tuma@gmail.com

December 15, 2014

Washoe County Commission
PO Box 11130
Reno, NV 89520

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Dear Chairman Humke and Commissioners:

Thank you for your consideration of my application to represent Assembly District 24. I believe my experience and education would make me a good representative of Washoe County. First and foremost, I love this community. As a child, I lived on Humboldt Street in Reno's old southwest. I have grown up camping on our public lands, swimming in the Truckee River, and playing in Lake Tahoe. My roots are in this community, and I understand firsthand the strengths and issues of our area. And because I care so deeply about this community, I would work tirelessly to represent my constituents. I have long admired David Bobzien's decade of selfless service to our community, and I want to follow in his footsteps by representing Assembly District 24.

Directing the largest conservation non-profit organization in Nevada for more than two years and working for United States Senator Harry Reid for more than five years, I have developed an expertise in managing resources effectively and working in Nevada's political atmosphere. Through these roles, I conducted outreach to communities on issues including renewable energy development, agriculture, water resource infrastructure, economic development, the environment, military & veterans affairs, taxes & finance, and education. And throughout my career, I have focused on leveraging limited financial resources to efficiently and sustainably manage these issues.

I have a proven record of assessing the needs and interests of diverse groups of stakeholders -- including elected officials, federal and state agencies, local governments, business leaders, labor organizations, Native American tribes, and advocacy organizations -- to create long-term solutions to issues facing all Nevadans. And in light of those stakeholder interests, I have analyzed complex legislative and administrative issues and identified specific courses of action to protect our community's interests in a balanced way. My career thus far has been devoted to working on solutions for our state behind the scenes. And my years of work -- without the spotlight -- have prepared me well to represent Assembly District 24.

Moreover, my education has thoroughly prepared me to work with government at all levels; I have a bachelor's degree in political science and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Nevada, Reno. And while my formal education has given me a thorough understanding of the governmental process, my background as a native Nevadan and professional experience has also given me a unique understanding of the local political climate.

Please find my resume, with additional background information, enclosed. I look forward to discussing with you how I can best bring my skills and experience to the Nevada State Assembly. The possibility of representing my neighbors in Assembly District 24 is humbling, and it is a challenge I look forward to undertaking. Thank you for your consideration and your service to our community.

Sincerely,



Matthew Tuma

MATTHEW TUMA

695 Brown Street ■ Reno, NV ■ 775-233-9885 ■ Matthew.Tuma@gmail.com

EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO, M.P.A. in Public Administration
UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA, RENO, B.A. in Political Science

MEMBERSHIPS Nevada State Democratic Party Central Committee - 2004 – Present
U.S. Department of the Interior, BLM Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council - May 2014 – Present

EXPERIENCE **THE NATURE CONSERVANCY**
Nevada State Director August 2012 – Present
Oversees Nevada Chapter planning, operations, government relations, fundraising, compliance, conservation, and stewardship activities.

- Led strategic planning process to chart 5-year goals and strategies for the Chapter to ensure sustainability of the program.
- Created new partnerships with other non-profit organizations, businesses, and individuals to grow the constituency for conservation in Nevada.
- Streamlined marketing, public relations, and fundraising operations by implementing regional partnerships within the Conservancy.
- Managed government relations operations for the Chapter.

UNITED STATES SENATOR HARRY REID
Special Projects Manager June 2011 – August 2012
Managed natural resource priorities and outreach of strategic initiatives in northern Nevada.

- Acted as liaison to local communities on the Desert Terminus Lakes Program, Walker River Restoration Project, Truckee River Flood Control Project, sage grouse protection, and county lands legislation.
- Coordinated federal priorities with local governments, federal and state agencies, Native American tribes, business leaders, labor organizations, and advocacy groups.
- Sustained relationships with state and local elected officials and testified before legislative committees and local commissions.
- Bolstered community and agency support for Senator Reid's initiatives.

UNITED STATES SENATOR HARRY REID
Regional Representative November 2006 – June 2011
Specialized in communication and outreach for issues regarding renewable energy development, military & veterans affairs, education, social welfare, labor, economic development, agriculture, healthcare, water resource infrastructure, public lands, and the environment.

- Helped organize and plan outreach events throughout northern Nevada.
- Communicated Senator Reid's priorities to constituent groups, federal and state agencies, and local governments in northern Nevada.

CARTER FOR NEVADA
Northern Nevada Field Director July 2006 – November 2006
Responsible for overseeing voter identification and turnout operations for the Jack Carter for Senate Campaign in northern Nevada.

- Trained volunteers, managed campaign events, and coordinated with other Democratic Party field operations.

NEVADA STATE DEMOCRATIC PARTY
Field Organizer and Researcher August 2004 – July 2006
Trained and recruited volunteers for campaign identification and outreach in Washoe County.

- Organized events and managed field operations as part of the Coordinated Democratic Campaign.

REFERENCES

Sheriff Michael and Laurie Haley
45 Rimfire Circle
Reno, NV 89519

The Honorable Robert Cashell
bootscashell@gmail.com

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Director, Fennemore Craig Jones Vargas
300 S. Fourth Street, Suite 1400
Las Vegas, NV 89101
702-692-8030

Marjorie Sill
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Washoe County Commission
1001 E. 9th Street, Building A
Reno, NV 89512

December 14, 2014

Dear Commissioners,

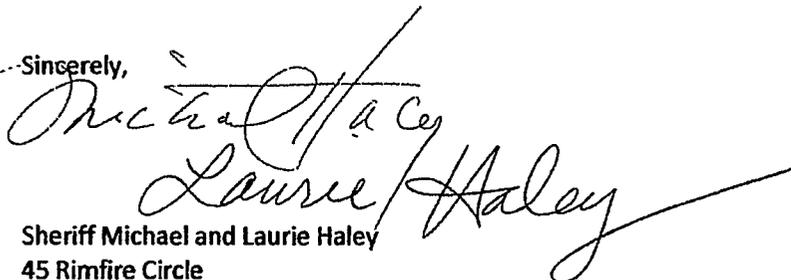
We are honored to write a letter of support for Matthew Tuma in his application to represent Assembly District 24.

We have known Matt since 2004 and have always been impressed with his work ethic, organizational and research skills and his ability to get along with people. He is well-informed on issues important to Nevadans and we feel he would bring to the Assembly a sense of fairness and hard work, offering solutions that are reasonable and true to our Democratic values.

His experience in politics is an asset. He knows how to organize, manage, communicate, present his views, build relationships and strategically plan. His constituents will appreciate his openness, willingness to listen, and accessibility. He is an exceptional young man.

The citizens of Assembly District 24 will be fortunate and well served if the Washoe County Commission selects Matthew Tuma to represent them in Carson City. We urge you to do that.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Michael and Laurie Haley in cursive script. The signature for Michael is on top and Laurie's is below it, both written in black ink.

Sheriff Michael and Laurie Haley
45 Rimfire Circle
Reno, NV 89519

December 15, 2014

Washoe County Commission
PO Box 11130
Reno, NV 89520

Dear Chairman Humke and Commissioners:

It gives me great pleasure to recommend Matt Tuma to represent District 24 in the Nevada State Assembly for the 2015 session.

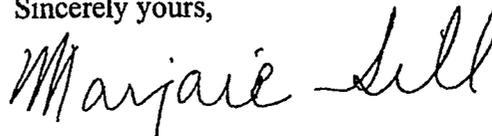
When he worked in the Nevada office for Senator Reid, he demonstrated his ability to understand issues, to work well with a variety of people, and to communicate with everyone. When I had a question about a local or state problem, I knew I could call Matt, and he would get back to me with a reasoned analysis of what was occurring. I could always trust the accuracy of his answer.

As Nevada Director of the Nature Conservancy, he has done an outstanding job of informing the public about environmental problems and solutions. He also has involved members in projects such as improving the Truckee River channel or managing the special values of Independence Lake. As the director of a non-profit, he understands the importance of making good financial decisions and spending money wisely.

His ability to work with people would be extremely important in the 2015 Assembly where difficulties have already surfaced.

Because of his knowledge of Nevada, his honesty and integrity, his ability to communicate with many different people, and his commitment to study the issues which our state faces and work with others on the best and most practical solutions, I believe that Matt Tuma would make an outstanding legislator if he is selected.

Sincerely yours,



Marjorie Sill
720 Brookfield Drive, Reno 89503
775-322-2867

STATE OF NEVADA
DECLARATION OF RESIDENCY
STATE LEGISLATOR

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Each address of a candidate must be the STREET address of the residence where he/she actually, as opposed to constructively, resided or resides, in accordance with NRS 281.050, if one has been assigned. The Declaration of Candidacy must not be accepted for the filing if any of the candidate's addresses are listed as a post office box, unless a street address has not been assigned to the residence. (Attach additional sheet or sheets of residences as necessary.)

Declaration of Residency for Office of
State Senator, Assemblyman or Assemblywoman

I, the undersigned, do swear or affirm under penalty of perjury that I have been a citizen resident of this state as required by NRS 218A.200 and have actually, as opposed to constructively, resided at the following residence or residences since November 1 of the preceding year.

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Dates of Residency: From: December 1996 To: PRESENT

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

X Anna Marie Vierra ANNA MARIE VIERRA DEC 16, 2014
Candidate Signature Printed Name Date

Anna Marie Vierra

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Washoe County Commission
1001 E. 9th Street Reno Nevada 89520

Dear Review Board:

Thank-you for your consideration of my application for the Assembly Seat, District 24, State of Nevada. The great responsibility you have in selecting someone to represent the citizens of Nevada is something to which I know you will dedicate great care and deliberation.

While earning my Master's Degree in writing, I worked for nearly four years as an adjunct English Professor for the University of Nevada, Reno. During my tenure there, I honed my leadership and communication skills.

My enthusiasm and commitment to being the best at what I do in all areas has served me well. I have extensive experience in working with the public having had the chance to significantly develop my compassion and knowledge of the citizens' need for choice, keenly aware of the concessions that must be brought from all sides to come to an agreement, while working as a Lead Flight Attendant for American Airlines. In this same capacity, I have experience as an Information Representative (IR) for the Association of Professional Flight Attendants having worked as the San Francisco IR for more than two years. I shared contract specific information with other union members, providing them with guidance for comprehension of contract specifics. Therefore, I am familiar with collective bargaining, contract language, and have a desire to make a difference for the citizens of Nevada.

In my career as a Certified Professional Coach for Ashram Coaching, I was able to create a sacred space in an otherwise hectic world for people to feel at ease. My specialized training allowed me to develop intuitive listening skills in particular which I believe would translate well

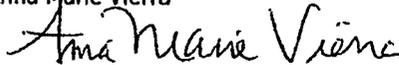
into a position as State Assemblywoman.

As a contribution to my local community (having lived in the State of Nevada for 35 years) I have participated in many past and present public forums, i.e., west university neighborhood plan creation and NAB meetings, information gathering on the future of energy use in the state from all public entities, university meetings for the main station farm, regional transportation commission meetings for the keystone corridor, planning commission, and city council meetings.

Having worked in a variety of professions, as an adjunct University English Professor, Certified Professional Coach, Lead Flight Attendant and Information Representative, I would bring to the job a breadth of experience, versatility and insight. These qualities would make me a valuable addition to the State Assembly. I would be honored to be your choice for Nevada State Assemblywoman.

Sincerely,

Anna Marie Vierra



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Anna Marie Vierra

921 Washington Street, Reno, Nevada 89503

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EXPERIENCE

Certified Professional Coach, Ashram Coaching, Reno, Nevada November 2013 - Present

Adjunct English Professor, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, Nevada January 1999 - May 2002

Lead Flight Attendant, American Airlines, San Francisco, California April 1987 - March 2013

EDUCATION

Bachelor of Arts, English Literature, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, Nevada September 1990 - May 1994

Master of Arts, Writing, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, Nevada January 1999 - May 2003

HIGHLIGHTS OF QUALIFICATIONS

- Ability to analyze problems, identify alternative solutions, project results of proposed actions
- Monitor, evaluate and issue grades
- Interact effectively with a variety of individuals in potentially hostile and stressful situations
- Respond to and resolve difficult and sensitive citizen inquiries and complaints
- Work under pressure with frequent interruptions and a high degree of public contact
- Communicate clearly and concisely, both orally and in writing
- Knowledge of collective bargaining, labor relations and negotiations
- Perform a wide variety of computer tasks, record-keeping, research, office management and web design
- Oversee, direct and coordinate passengers and crew as 767 Luxury Liner Lead Flight Attendant in planned emergency evacuation (in New York due to complete right engine failure)
- Proficient in conversational French

AWARDS, CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSES

Certified Professional Coach, Institute for Professional Excellence in Coaching, Berkeley, California	December 2013 - Present
Energy Leadership Index Master Practitioner, Institute for Professional Excellence in Coaching, Berkeley, California	October 2013 - Present
Professional Poetry Award, Barnes & Noble, Walnut Creek, California	April 1996 - Present
License for Educational Personnel, State of Nevada, Carson City, Nevada	April 2004 - Present
Author, Editor's Choice Award, Maryland, Virginia	April 1996 - Present

VOLUNTEERING

Book Reader to Senior Citizens, Veterans Hospital Community Living Center, Reno, Nevada	October 2014 - Present
Information Representative, Association of Professional Flight Attendants, Dallas, Texas	September 2005 - September 2006
Editorial Assistant, Interdisciplinary Studies for Literature & the Environment, Reno, Nevada	September 2000 - September 2001
Volunteer Speaker, ADA Assist to NAB member attended all meetings for six months and assisted in the creation of the West University Neighborhood Plan, West University Neighborhood Advisory Board, Reno, Nevada	September 1999 - September 2000
Event Host, Sierra Arts Foundation, Reno, Nevada	May 1998 - September 1999

Washoe County Board of Commissioners
1001 E. Ninth Street
Reno, Nv. 89512

December 16, 2014

Dear Commissioners,

I am writing to express my strong support for Anna Marie Vierra to fill the Assembly District 24 seat vacated by David Bobzien. As a lifelong resident of northern Nevada and a Sparks City Councilwoman, commitment to community is very important to me. Anna Marie has shown dedication to making her community a better place.

I have known Anna Marie for 28 years as a co-worker for American Airlines. I can honestly say she has a strong work ethic, is devoted to the public good and has the right temperament and intellect for the State Assembly. I have seen her handle a variety of stressful situations, a job requirement for a flight attendant. Her people skills would be a valuable asset to the Assembly. She has leadership skills as a Lead Flight Attendant and was awarded a "Customer Comes First" award from American Airlines for assistance to a disabled passenger.

She was a professor at the University of Nevada Reno and has lived in the University neighborhood for many years, understanding the residents and their needs. She has never held office, which I believe is a positive because she represents everyday people.

I believe that Anna Marie would be a great addition to the State Assembly representing District 24. I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,
Charlene Bybee
Sparks City Councilwoman Wad 4

Anna Marie Vierra

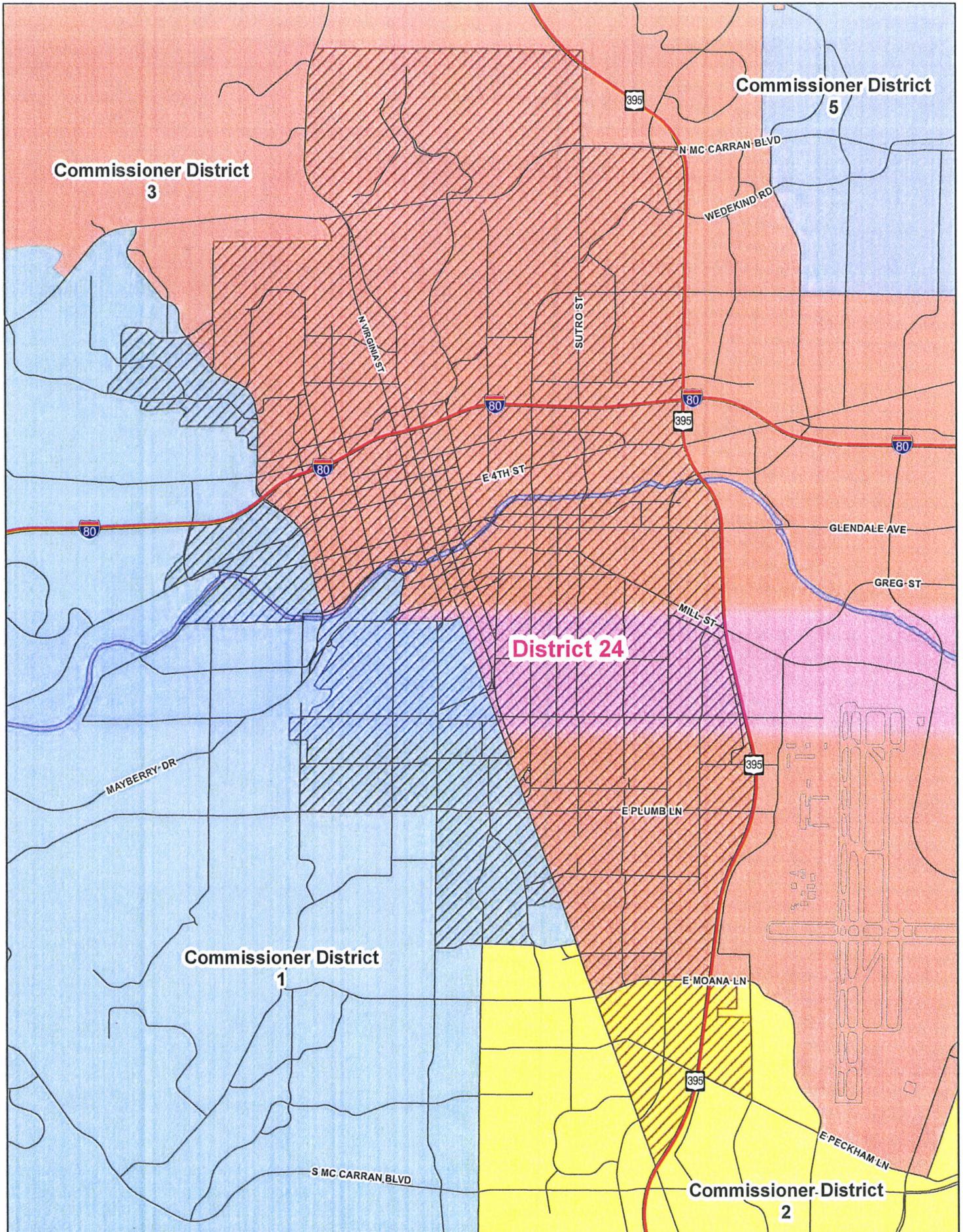


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David Rickert
2120 Conchita Street
Las Vegas, NV 89108
December 15, 2014



Washoe County Board of County Commissioners
1001 E. 9th Street, Building A
Reno, NV 89512

Dear Commissioners:

I am writing to you in support of Ross Armstrong's appointment to the vacant Assembly District 24 seat. I have been a Nevada prosecutor for over 8 years, and it was my pleasure to work alongside Mr. Armstrong for over a year at the Nye County District Attorney's office. Since I am a Republican, Ross and I frequently don't see eye-to-eye, but we bonded over our Boy Scout experiences and enjoyed discussing the issues of the day. I was, and am, impressed by his intelligence and his knowledge of Nevada history and politics. I found him to be personable, hard-working, and of the highest character.

In addition, from close observation I can tell you that Mr. Armstrong is an excellent attorney. He worked tirelessly on behalf of domestic-violence victims, as well as victims of sexual abuse. These cases are often difficult to prosecute. Ross did so with great enthusiasm and skill, and was very successful at it in the time we worked together. I am sure that he would bring that energy and passion to representing the people of AD 24.

In closing, I hope you will appoint my friend, Ross Armstrong, to this vacant Assembly seat. He is a good man, and I believe he would serve the people well.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Rickert".

David Rickert

December 16, 2014

Washoe County Commission
1001 E. 9th Street, Building A
Reno, NV 89512



To Whom it May Concern:

I would just like to take this time to recommend Ross Armstrong for the open assembly seat, vacated by Assemblyman Bobzien. I have worked with Ross Armstrong for some time and I strongly recommend him. I met Ross Armstrong in 2011 and since then I have not met anyone else who is as passionate about the political arena and doing his part to make Nevada a better place. Ross Armstrong is a dedicated Nevadan, having grown up in Reno, Nevada. During his time working at the Nye County District Attorney's Office, via a grant from the Attorney General's Office; he was able to travel all over Nevada and he spent the entire time enjoying everything that Nevada has to offer and thinking of ways to improve it. I believe that Ross Armstrong is highly qualified and would make a great Assemblyman. It is with great pleasure that I highly recommend him for this position.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns. I can be reached by email at tierradjones@gmail.com or by telephone at (702) 630-2501.

Sincerely,

Tierra D. Jones, Esq.

Deputy District Attorney

Clark County District Attorney's Office

T-Jones
4609 Royal Sledge Drive
Las Vegas, NV 89178

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Dear Washoe County Commission Chairman and Commissioners:

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I am writing to recommend the appointment of my friend and colleague Ross Armstrong to the Assembly District 24 seat.

I met Ross my first year of law school at Willamette University College of Law in Salem, Oregon, in 2008. Ross was in his second year, and we were introduced early on by mutual friends as our friends recognized that we were both Nevadans; there were very few at the school. Upon meeting, Ross and I discovered that not only were we both native Nevadans, but both natives to Northern Nevada, he from Reno and I from Elko, and both graduates of the University of Nevada. While we both love Nevada, Ross holds a passion for the State that is difficult to put into words. His love and knowledge of the State is apparent to all that he encounters. His love and passion for Nevada is just one reason that I know Ross would make an exceptional representative, not only for the residents of Assembly District 24, but the State as a whole.

Ross's passion carries through to every endeavor he takes on. I have had the opportunity to get to know Ross in both an educational setting as well as professional. In law school Ross was extremely welcoming and encouraging to his peers, always providing assistance when he could, and serving as a peer mentor to incoming law students. Law school, as you know, can be an extremely competitive environment, but in knowing Ross and taking classes together, he was always collaborative and created an environment where students could work together to find solutions, whether in studying for exams or student groups. Ross was in the top 15% of his graduating class. This accomplishment is only achieved through hard work and dedication.

As a practicing attorney in Elko, I have also had the opportunity to interact with and observe Ross in a professional setting. In Ross's position with the State Attorney General, dealing with issues of child abuse and neglect, I have seen him work hard to create programs of education and policy for the departments he works with. In all facets of Ross's work he is always looking for ways to make things better; whether it is administrative policies or structure or helping rural families in cases of child abuse, Ross is never complacent, he is always looking for solutions.

It is my strong belief that Ross Armstrong will provide the best representation to the residents of Assembly District 24 and the State. His passion for Reno and Nevada, combined with his collaborative nature, dedication, work ethic, and strong leadership background are what make him the best candidate.

Please feel free to contact me regarding this recommendation at (775) 738-9211.

Sincerely,
Lauren A. Landa, Esq.

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I am writing on behalf of Ross Armstrong, who informs me that he will be seeking an appointment to the Nevada State Assembly. I met Ross at Willamette University College of Law in Salem, Oregon, back in 2007. Although we came from very different backgrounds and hold very different political beliefs, we quickly became good friends. I am a conservative Republican who grew up in rural Northern California and served as an infantryman in the United States Marine Corps. Ross grew up in urban Nevada and is a lifelong Democrat. Despite these differences, we have always been able to communicate our political and social positions in a mature and respectful manner.

Ross and I took many classes together, including a class on government where we actually met with state legislators and proposed improvements to legislation. Ross was always someone I could rely on for input and advice, as he was very knowledgeable about the political process (including Oregon's initiative process). Again, even though we looked at issues from opposite ends of the political spectrum, we always found a way to compromise and find a practical solution to legal issues.

Ross was very involved in student government during our time at Willamette. I served as vice-president and treasurer of our class for two years, while Ross served on the higher student government body that represented all class years. Ross was known for his dedication to serving the students even while he was taking a full load of classes, which is not an easy task.

Dedication to service and finding practical solutions are what we need in politicians at every level of government. I have no qualms whatsoever in Ross and his ability to work with people from all viewpoints to find common ground and solve problems. I wholeheartedly endorse Ross and wish him the best of luck.

If you would like more information, I would be happy to discuss further. I can be reached at (503)689-4461 (cell) or (503)431-6418 (work).

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Eric McClendon
Referral and Information Services Manager
Oregon State Bar

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XIOMARA RODRIGUEZ

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December 21, 2014

Mr. John Slaughter
County Manager, Washoe County
1001 East 9th Street, #A201
Reno, Nevada 89512

Dear Mr. Slaughter:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Margaret Flint, who has applied to fill the vacancy left by Mr. David Bobzien in Assembly District 24 at the Nevada Assembly.

I have known Ms. Flint for five years (5), both as a friend and a professional. She is a hard working individual with a great passion for what she does and for the people of the State of Nevada.

Since I have known her, she has been very active in the Nevada Legislature. In this endeavor, she was instrumental with AB168, SB72, SB381, SB223 and SB14.

Her experience in the Nevada Legislature will be an asset to the Legislature and will ensure that the people of Assembly District 24 will be well served by a dedicated and experienced person.

But her hard work for our community can also be seen in her dedication and participation with the Nevada Humane Society and the Canine Rehabilitation Center and Sanctuary.

In addition to her community and legislative work, Ms. Flint has also managed her family business, the Chapel of the Bells, in Reno with great success.

As a friend, she is a very caring and accessible person, qualities that she will bring to the Legislature.

I really hope that the County Commission selects Ms. Flint to be the representative of the residents of Assembly District 24.

Sincerely,

Xiomara Rodriguez
Resident of Assembly District 24



Brian Sandoval
Governor

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December 15, 2014

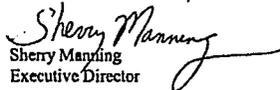
To Whom It May Concern:

Ms. Stephanie Schoen served as a Governor appointed member of the Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities (NGCDD) from January 17, 2006 through September 18, 2012. During Ms. Schoen's appointment to the NGCDD, she also served on the Legislative Committee and served as Chair of the Evaluation Committee.

Ms. Schoen is a very dedicated, passionate and knowledgeable public servant and there is no question that Stephanie will bring those very important aspects to any position for which she serves.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you should need any further verification or information regarding Ms. Schoen's service and dedication to the Nevada Governor's Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,


Sherry Manning
Executive Director